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# MEDINA JAILS GIL GREEN



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At Foley Square Courthouse—

Gil Green: "I thought we would get a chance to prove our case."

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## LET THE DEFENSE SPEAK!

An Editorial

JUDGE MEDINA HAS WITHDRAWN the bail of Gil Green, one of the defendants and remanded him to jail for the duration of the trial. He has done the same with John Gates, Henry Winston and Gus Hall. There is no assurance that he will not repeat this with other defendants.

What is the crime for which they are slugged with this illegal and vindictive withdrawal of their bail so they cannot leave the court each day to be with their families and consult their attorneys?

Merely, that the defendants seek to present their case, to speak the political views for which they face 10-20 years in jail.

The prosecution is exerting every effort to block the defense from placing into the record the facts and views which shatter the crude frameup of the government's hired stoolpigeons.

What the country must know is that Judge Medina is cooperating in this. He apparently wants the country to believe that the 12 Communists have no defense other than that of "contempt of court." But this is not so. The defense strives only to place the facts before the jury and the nation. It is being balked by judicial rulings which show a desire to punish the defendants and to choke their voices.

"A judge should not be too quick to shut off testimony. If there is any doubt, it should be resolved for the defendant" said Judge Reeves in the Coplon case yesterday. He was merely stating ordinary law which is being trampled on so cynically at Foley Square.

These outrages concern every decent citizen.

There must be a roar of public protest. Otherwise no citizen will know when he will not face the same vindictive treatment. The people must act!

1—Join the protest outside the Foley Square Court, Wednesday, 12-1:30.

2—We urge the widest attendance at the Civil Rights Congress conference for civil and human rights to be held Saturday at City Center Casino.

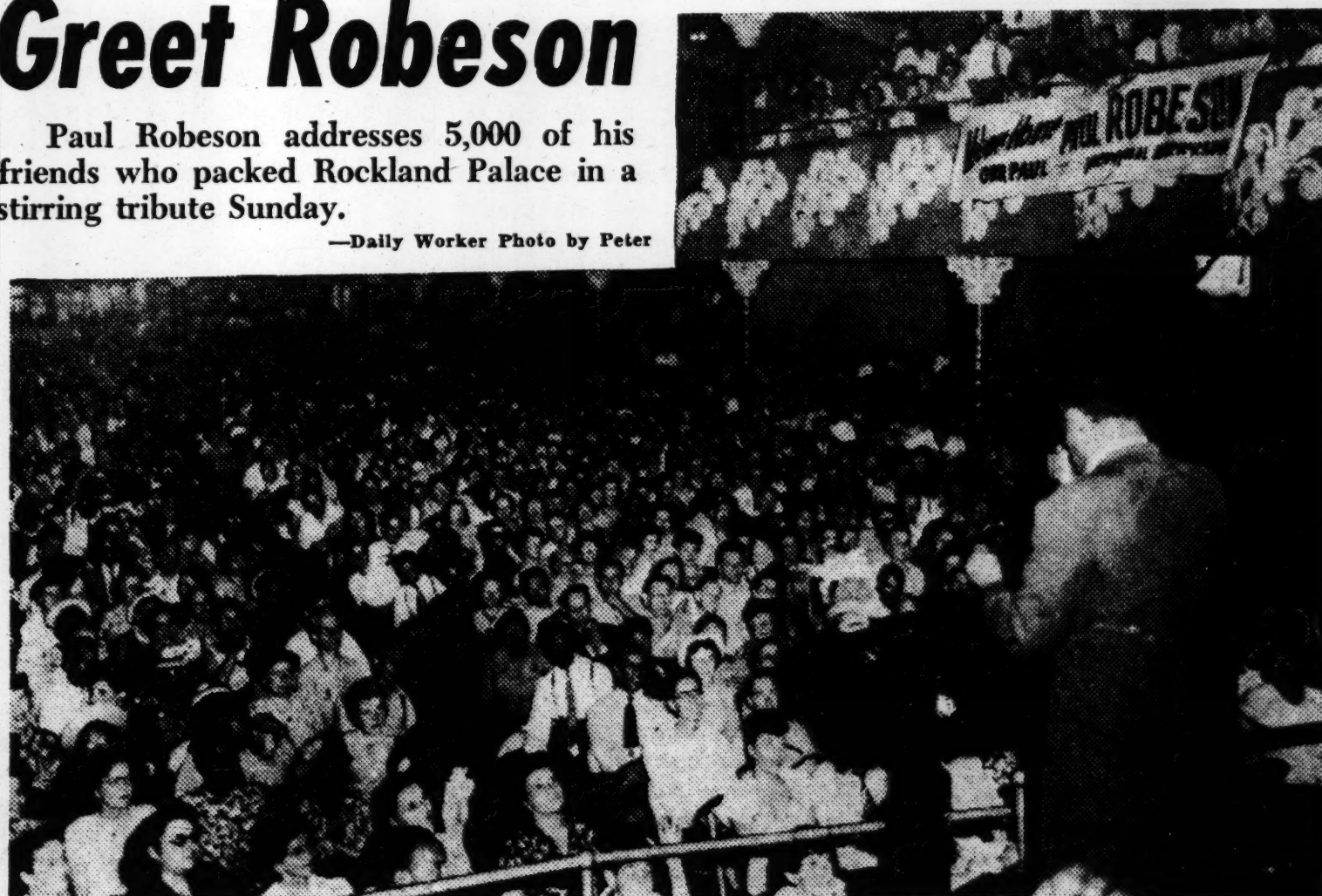
## BIG 4 REACH AGREEMENT ON BERLIN, AUSTRIA

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## Greet Robeson

Paul Robeson addresses 5,000 of his friends who packed Rockland Palace in a stirring tribute Sunday.

—Daily Worker Photo by Peter



## APPEALS COURT UPHOLDS JAIL FOR CRC LEADER

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## Demonstrate for Gil Green Tomorrow!

CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS RALLY AT U. S. COURTHOUSE, FOLEY SQUARE, 12 NOON TO 1:30 P.M.



# Big 4 Reach Accord On Berlin, Austria

PARIS, June 20.—The Big Four Foreign Ministers reached agreement tonight on the control of Berlin and a treaty to restore the independence of Austria. A formal communique, marking the end of the four-week conference, announced the first major agreements reached between the Soviet Union and the U.S.-bloc powers in 30 months.

After the adjournment, Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Y. Vishinsky asked for another meeting, and a post-adjournment session was hastily called at 8:45 p.m. (3:45 p.m. EDT).

Vishinsky sought at this meeting another paragraph in the communique concerning oil concessions from Austria. The U.S. bloc would not agree, whereupon Vishinsky agreed that the matter be worked out through diplomatic channels. A proposal by Vishinsky at the final plenary meeting for early signing of a Japanese peace treaty was also rejected by the U.S.-bloc. Vishinsky had made the same proposal at the first session of the current Big Four meeting. The Soviet spokesman said of the parley at its conclusion:

"At least something has been achieved. Not as much as had

hoped for. But something."

Details of the agreement announced in the communique were:

## GERMANY:

- Representatives of the four powers will consult at the United Nations annual Assembly meeting in New York in September to determine the date for the next Big Four conference.

- Occupation authorities in Berlin will continue to consult on German problems.

- 3. They will seek to ease the situation caused by the division of Germany and of Berlin into two parts. They will try especially to expand trade between East and West, facilitate movement of persons and goods and the exchange of information, and seek to administer Berlin "with a view to normalizing as far as possible the life of the city."

- Occupation authorities will call on Germans in their zones to

aid them in carrying out paragraph three.

- The agreement reached in New York to end the trade and traffic restrictions in Berlin shall be maintained. Occupation authorities in each zone "will have an obligation to take the measures necessary to ensure the normal functioning and utilization of rail, water and road transport for such movement of persons and goods, and such communications by post, telephone and telegraph."

- Occupation authorities will recommend to German economic bodies that closer economic ties be effected.

## AUSTRIA:

- Deputies will start work on a final draft of the Austrian treaty June 21, and agree on the final text by Sept. 1.

- Austria's frontiers will remain the same as they were Jan. 1, 1938, before Adolf Hitler seized the country.

- Austria shall protect the rights of Slovene and Croat minorities.

- Yugoslavia will get no reparations but may take Austrian property inside Yugoslavia.

- Russia is to get \$150,000,000, payable over six years on her claims to German assets in Austria. She shall also have concessions in Austrian oil and shipping properties.

The conference which met here four weeks ago today was formally ended and the delegates went into the adjoining bar at the Talleyrand d'palace for a champagne toast.

Secretary of State Dean Acheson prepared to take off at 9 p. m. in President Truman's personal plane Independence, awaiting him at the airport, when Vishinsky asked for another meeting.

As the result the Big Four met again at the French Foreign Office.

## Vatican Bans Czech

VATICAN CITY, June 20.—The Vatican excommunicated members of the Czechoslovak Catholic Action Association today, declaring the organization "schismatic and dissident."

## Dennis, Baldwin to Address Garden Rally for Civil Rights

Two leaders of minority parties in the United States will speak out against suppression of democratic liberties Tuesday evening, June 28, when Eugene Dennis, General Secretary of the Communist Party, and C. B. Baldwin, secretary of the Progressive Party, appear on the platform of the rally for Civil and Human Rights in Madison Square Garden.

Dennis, who is leading the defense effort of the indicted Communist leaders in Foley Square, is scheduled to deliver a slashing attack on the fomenters of fascism and war who are responsible for the frameup trial. He will deal specifically with the serious economic crisis that is looming in the United States and the use of anti-Communist hysteria to mask the failure of Congress and the Truman Administration to act to state it off.

Baldwin, who was recently denied the right to testify before a Senate Committee on behalf of his party by Dixiecrat Sen. James O. Eastland, is expected to deal with his party's program to meet the

## IMPELLITTERI THROWS HAT INTO MAYORALTY RING

City Council President Vincent R. Impellitteri yesterday declared himself a candidate for Mayor on the Democratic ticket. Impellitteri, who seems to be the choice of the New York Daily News, has been discussed as a possible compromise candidate.

"If leaders of my party feel that I am qualified to assume the office of the Mayor of the City of New York I will be happy to be a candidate," the Council President said. "As a key man in the O'Dwyer administration, I have always supported the O'Dwyer program, which is well on its way, but much remains to be done."

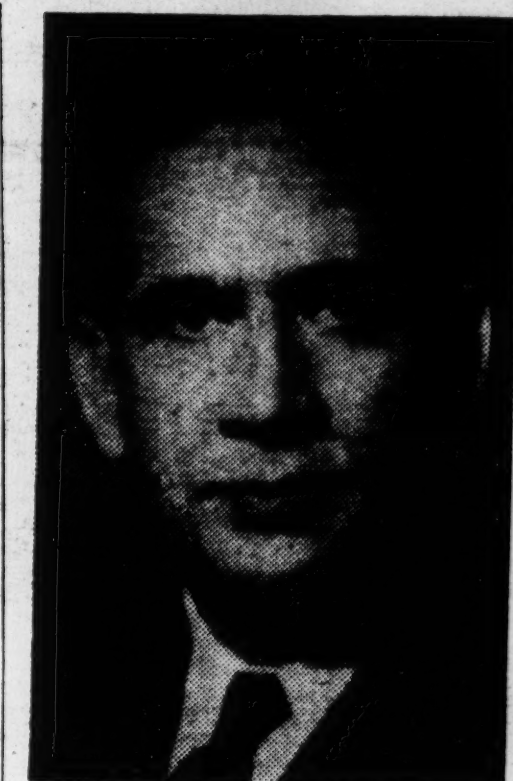
He told reporters he had not discussed his candidacy with O'Dwyer, and he refused to comment on whether he had broached the subject with any of the county leaders.

"Have you any assurance of support from the leaders?" he was asked.

"No comment."

"Have you any labor support?"

"I have considerable veteran and labor support from AFL and



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CIO." Impellitteri replied, though there has been no indication of such support as yet.

Impellitteri made his announcement from City Hall following a similar declaration from Bill Slater's Luncheon at Sardi's program over WOR earlier in the afternoon.

## Truman Envoy OK's Reputation of Hiss

By Louise Mitchell

The President's Ambassador-at-Large Philip C. Jessup attested to the "good" reputation for "integrity, loyalty and veracity" of Alger Hiss, former State Department official, in a deposition read yesterday at the Hiss perjury trial as the defense case got under way.

In his work and his social contacts, Jessup said, in a deposition sent from Paris where he is attending the Big Four conference, he was closely associated with Hiss in Washington since 1943. The two perjury counts hold that Hiss lied to the Grand Jury when he said he didn't see Whittaker Chambers, self-confessed perjurer, after Jan. 1, 1937, and that he didn't hand him any State Department documents which comprise the "pumpkin spy plot."

A series of questions by the government in the Jessup deposition attempted to link Jessup's name with progressive organizations. Jessup denied he was ever associated with China Aid Council, American Federation for Constitutional Liberties, National Emergency Conference for Democratic

Rights and American-Russian Institute for Cultural Relations.

The session adjourned until tomorrow as the defense was preparing to read another deposition from Gov. Adlai Stevenson of Illinois. The government objected to the deposition from the spokesman for the Americans for Democratic Action. Federal Judge Samuel H. Kaufman, who is attending a judicial conference today, will rule on Stevenson deposition tomorrow. Hiss may begin his own defense Wednesday.

## 2 OTHER WITNESSES

Two other character witnesses were State Department officials, Charles Darlington and Harry C. Hawkins. Darlington, who was assistant chief of the Trade Agreements Division in 1937, testified that "very few cabinet files were locked" in his division during that time. Some of the "pumpkin" papers have the Trade Agreements section stamp on them and the defense is attempting to show that they may have been taken from that office. In 1937, Hiss was assistant to the Assistant Secretary of State Francis B. Sayre, whose duties included supervision of the Trade Agreements section.

Defense witnesses who punctured holes in testimony given by Chambers and Mrs. Whittaker Chambers at the present trial were:

Lucy Elliot Davis, who runs a tourist house at Peterboro, N. H., denied that Chambers and Mr. and Mrs. Priscilla Hiss stayed there for one night in August, 1937, as Chambers testified. Her guest book entered into the record as a defense exhibit showed no listing of three.

J. Kellogg, Smith who conducts a summer camp at Chestertown, Md., testified that Hiss rented a cottage in Chestertown for July and August, 1937, so as to be close to his stepson, Timothy Hobson, who suffered a broken leg, and his niece, "Sudi" Fansler, who had pneumonia during July. This testimony was also intended to flatten the Chambers' statement of the vacation trip to Peterboro in the summer of 1937.

Geoffrey May, a next door

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## Senate Weighs Five Strikebreaking Plans

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, June 20.—The Senate on Wednesday is expected to take its pick of five strikebreaking proposals now before it. As of today, the choice appeared to lie with Sen. Robert A. Taft's combined seizure and injunction amendment. Four other proposals offered by "opponents" of Taft's amendment have added fuel to Taft's anti-labor fire.

The first test on Wednesday will be on the seizure amendment proposed by Sen. Paul Douglas (R-Ill). It gave Taft the idea of including seizure in his strikebreaking-by-injunction plan.

Two other proposals prepared by Sen. Irving Ives (R-NY) and Sen. Wayne Morse (R-Ore) would leave the problem of strikebreaking up to Congress on individual "national emergency strikes."

Morse's amendment, however, would give Congress and the government the power to impose compulsory arbitration, injunctions and seizures.

The fifth approach to "National

emergency strikes" is contained in the labor bill submitted by Sen. Elbert Thomas (D-Utah).

It would authorize the President to end strikes by proclamation. But if strikers refuse to return to work, Thomas explained, the President could use his power to order an injunction.

Watching the debate from the crowded Senate gallery are several dozen state and city AFL officials. Privately, they say that they are at a loss about the manner in which to approach Senators. They don't know what the official AFL position is, one AFL man said sadly.

Presenting a clear cut position of opposition against all Taft-Hartley amendments, however, were about 100 members of the CIO United Electrical Workers, who spent the day on Capitol Hill presenting the facts of unemployment to legislators.

The UE lobbyists are scheduled to meet Government officials tomorrow.

Arriving in Washington at a crucial time in the Taft-Hartley debate will be another delegation of unionists. An undetermined number of CIO shop leaders will participate in an emergency conference this Sunday at Hotel Statler to press for outright Taft-Hartley repeal and restoration of the Wagner Act.

## Reach Frozen Mammoth

LONDON, June 20 (UP).—An expedition to excavate an almost completely preserved mammoth in the Siberian Arctic has arrived at the site, Tass reported today.

The flesh, muscles, internal organs and hide are excellently preserved, apparently because the mammoth is buried in land frozen the year around, Tass said. It was discovered in the summer of 1948. One of the mammoth's tusks already has been sent to the USSR Academy of Sciences.

## 41 Days



MRS. HILDE EISLER has been held as a political hostage on Ellis Island for 41 days. Protests should go to Attorney General Tom Clark demanding that Mrs. Eisler be freed at once and permitted to rejoin her husband. Mrs. Eisler has committed no crime, and there are no charges against her.



# Medina Jails Gil Green for Saying He Wants Chance to Prove His Case

By Harry Raymond

Illinois Communist chairman Gilbert Green, second defense witness in the trial of the Communist leaders, was remanded to jail for the duration of the trial yesterday by Judge Harold R. Medina. The fourth defendant to be imprisoned by the court, Green felt the wrath of the angry and prejudiced judge when he objected in a quiet voice that the indicted Communists were not being given a chance to prove their case. The judge's action was denounced as "unwarranted" by Communist Party General Secretary Eugene Dennis, acting as his own counsel. He told the court it was "obstructing our case" and "hamstringing" the defense.

## Appeals Court Upholds Jail for Geo. Marshall

WASHINGTON, June 20.—The U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals today unanimously upheld the "contempt of Congress" conviction of George Marshall for having refused to give records of the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties to the House Un-American Activities Committee.



Marshall, who is now chairman of the Civil Rights Congress, was chairman of the Federation when he was cited for contempt in January, 1948.

He was sentenced to three months and fined \$500. He has been free on \$500 bond pending his appeal.

The Appeals Court's opinion, written by Judge George C. Sweeney, held that the House committee had "reasonable cause" to investigate the Federation. The opinion declared that the Communist Party, in addition to its "open" activities, had "secret" activities which were being investigated by the Un-Americans in subversive organizations. Sweeney was joined in the opinion by Justices Bennett Champ Clark and Wilbur K. Miller.

### CRC ASSAILS RULING

The Civil Rights Congress yesterday denounced the decision of the Court of Appeals which upheld the contempt citation of George Marshall.

"The ruling," said Milton Wolff,

CRC organizational secretary, "is an attack on the basic constitutional rights of Mr. Marshall and the right of an organization to fight for the people."

"The NFCL, which has since merged with the CRC under Mr. Marshall's able leadership, fought militantly for the rights of racial, religious and political minorities; worked for anti-polltax, FEPC, and anti-lynch legislation; helped defend the rights of organized labor; defended victims of discrimination in the courts; exposed native fascists and called for the prosecution of the Ku Klux Klan and similar groups, and—mark this—demanded the abolition of the House Un-American Committee."

"It was to stop such activities that the committee attacked the NFCL and its chairman."

"As for that part of the Circuit Court's opinion which speaks of some occult 'silent diffusion of subversive doctrines'—whatever that may mean, it is clearly nonsense."

"The NFCL was a democratic anti-fascist organization, working in the open, as does the Civil Rights Congress, its successor. Its acts and publications on behalf of the Civil Rights of the people are matter of public record. There has been no other kind of activity carried on by either organization."

The case will be appealed to the U. S. Supreme Court.

### LED TO JAIL

At conclusion of the trial session Green was taken in custody by a U.S. Marshal and conducted to the Federal House of Detention in the company of Daily Worker editor John Gates, Henry Winston and Gus Hall, who were remanded to jail June 3, when Gates refused to answer prosecutor John F. X. McGohey's "stool or jail" question.

Winston, national Communist Party organization secretary, and Hall, Ohio Communist chairman, were remanded for making oral objections to the jailing of Gates. The cases of the three were appealed to the Circuit Court of Appeals which has reserved decision.

Despite the judge's vicious ruling in sentencing Green, and his determined effort to keep out of the case the Marxist-Leninist position on maintenance of democratic rights, Green finally managed to present the Party's views briefly.

Explaining that the article barred by the judge did the job properly and thoroughly, Green explained how capitalism, in its struggle against feudalism, had for the first time permitted a measure of political democracy to the people. This was in its ascendant, progressive stages.

Today, in its decaying stage, when it is dominated by monopoly, capitalists recognize they can no longer give the people peace, security, jobs, decent living standards, and hence fear they cannot maintain their rule through the democratic process. Thus, they try to scrap democratic institutions, Green continued.

The witness pointed to Nazi Germany, Spain and other European nations as examples of this development. As a result, he declared, the workingclass and its allies are compelled to battle the

monopolists to maintain and extend democratic rights.

Communists, he declared, know Socialism is inevitable. But it makes an enormous difference whether it comes after the horrors of fascism, in which millions will be killed and the mass of Americans reduced to the stage of oppression existing against the Negro people in the South today; or whether it comes with fascism blocked, and new paths found to establish it through the will of the people.

The jailing of Green came late during the afternoon session, when defense attorney A. J. Isserman sought to introduce evidence to refute testimony of FBI informer Louis F. Budenz. Budenz had testified that the section of the 1938 Communist Party Constitution, stating American Communists would defend all institutions of American democracy against its reactionary enemies, was "window dressing" and "Aesopian language."

Green testified the words in the Party Constitution meant exactly what they said. He testified that a similar section in the Party 1945 Constitution also meant what it said.

"The Communists disdain to conceal their aims," Green told the Court, quoting from the 101-year-old Communist Manifesto.

He identified an article which

he and Dennis wrote, entitled "Notes on Defense of Democracy," published in the May, 1938, issue of the magazine, *The Communist*. He testified that on the basis of a discussion of this article, the 1938 Party Convention wrote the paragraph on defense of democracy into the Party Constitution.

He said: "I constantly referred to that article in connection with what I taught and advocated."

Judge Medina ruled the article out as evidence after prosecutor McGohey had objected without stating any reasons.

"This is introduced to show the intent of the witness," attorney Sacher protested.

"If we'd have a long statement from every defendant, we'd never get through," snapped Judge Medina.

Sacher reminded the court that Budenz was permitted to testify concerning his version of the intent of all the defendants covering a period of 10 years.

Attorney Isserman asked for an opportunity to be heard.

The judge said the matter was "repetitious" and refused the lawyer.

"I thought we would get a chance to prove our case," said Green.

"I hereby remand you for the rest of the trial," the judge barked (Continued on Page 11)

## 5 WORKERS FROM AKRON SEE MEDINA JAIL GIL GREEN

Judge Medina is in gross error if he believes his kangaroo decrees exiling defendants to the federal bullpen go unobserved because the metropolitan press covers up for him. Eyes are watching him all across the country.

When he whipped around on Gil Green with that "I-Am-The-Law" air and waved the Communist leader to the Federal House of Detention, five men from Akron watched every move. Delegated by their communities to act as observers, they had driven all night with a satchelful of petitions from Akron rubber workers to demand the prompt freedom of Gus Hall, Henry Winston and John Gates.

As they sat there in Courtroom 110, they saw the judge do it again. What they had written on the petitions suddenly came to life. The five—two Negro and three white—had brought with them a gift of four rubber tires bought by Akron workers to present to Gus Hall. "So he can use them to drive home in freedom." They are William Boynton, George Phillips, Bernard Marks, Gerald Udell and Mike Davidow. After what they say today, they're rushing home to collect many thousands more.

"We saw it with our own eyes," they said. "Medina justice."

## Texas Schoolman Hits Jailing of 3

Special to the Daily Worker

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., June 20.—C. J. Sutton, member of the Union Junior College District School Board, has wired Judge Harold Medina, protesting the jailing of three Communist leaders for refusing to stoolpigeon.

"The jailing of three leaders of the Communist Party for refusing to stoolpigeon," said Sutton in a public statement, "is part and parcel of the mounting wave of attacks on the civil liberties of the Negro people. The Justice

Department, instead of jailing Communists and other liberals, should be seeking out and prosecuting the lynchers of Caleb Hill."

John Inman, county chairman of the Progressive Party, wired Judge Medina: "Executive Board Progressive Party Bexar County objects to your ruling on jailing three Communist leaders, legalizing stoolpigeon methods. Demand immediate release of all three and reversal of ruling which violates basic constitutional rights."

## Iowa Attorney Sees Trial of '12' As an Attack on Negro People

Charles P. Howard, eminent Negro attorney of Des Moines, Iowa, who delivered the keynote speech at the Philadelphia convention of the Progressive Party, attended the heresy trial at Foley Square yesterday because, he told the Daily Worker, "the defense of the Communist Party is the first line of defense of all America's people."

Howard is a national committeeman of the Progressive Party and is in New York to attend the national conference of his party. He attended the morning session of the trial.

"I came to the trial," he said, "in a twofold capacity. This trial menaces me in two ways: as a Negro, my people are endangered, and as a member of a political party, my party is threatened."

"I earnestly pray for justice," he said, "because it is clear that if the Communists go to jail, my party will be in danger next."

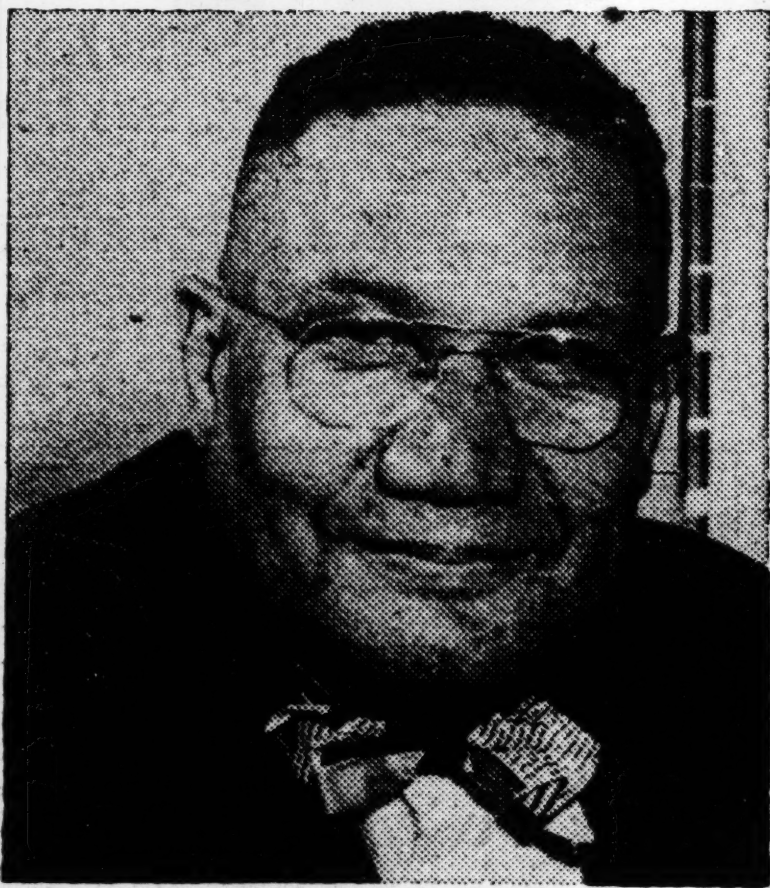
### GREETES DAVIS

During the morning recess, he warmly greeted Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, Gil Green and the other defendants in the trial. Unfortunately, he had left before he had the opportunity to see Judge Medina's high-handed act in remanding Green to jail.

"All Americans must know," he said, "that if the rights of one group is taken from them, the rights of all groups will be lost."

He said he regarded this trial as perhaps the most important political development in America today.

Howard was for 20 years a leading Republican figure in Iowa and attended a number of GOP



CHARLES HOWARD

conventions as alternate delegate from his state.

He is also assistant grand legal adviser to the Independent Benevolent Protective Order of Elks.

Also present to observe yesterday's sessions was Miss Irma Henderson, of Detroit, another leading Negro figure in the Progressive Party.

## Point of Order

By ALAN MAX

GOVERNOR DEWEY traveled to Europe, made a first-hand investigation there and came back with the conclusion that, Wall Street must take over Africa.



# Widow of Slain Negro Appeals for Justice

The following is a letter from Mrs. Doretta Waddell, widow of a Negro slain by Brooklyn police. She addressed it to hundreds of community leaders urging their attendance and support of the June 27 conference on police brutality called by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People:

I am writing to you on behalf of my husband, George Waddell, killed on Feb. 18, before my eyes by Brooklyn detectives who had no charge or warrant against him. I am also writing on behalf of widow Newton, whose young husband was killed Memorial Day last by a Brooklyn policeman who was off duty and had

no official business whatsoever with him. I am writing on behalf of all the wives who were made widows and all the children who were made fatherless by Brooklyn police, who hand out death to colored people as easy as summonses for over time parking. And I am writing on behalf of

the Brooklyn branch of the NAACP which has called a conference for 6:30 p. m. June 27, at the AME Zion Church to demand nothing more—and nothing less—than the protection of home and persons guaranteed by the Constitution. The policemen who killed my husband—the policemen who killed the others are walking

free, and their freedom is an invitation to other policemen to kill a Negro man or child, when they get the chance. The conference I'm inviting you to cannot bring back life—but it can prevent death. Please come to this conference prepared to hear testimony and give counsel. Believe me, we need you.

## ALP Stress on Issues Jolts Political Traders

By Michael Singer

Political leaders of both major parties, desperately jockeying for mayoralty candidates, were brought up sharply over the weekend by the forthright municipal election statement of the American Labor Party. The policy declaration, first such to be issued by any of the political parties, was a slap in the face at those political leaders who had hoped to keep personalities rather than issues in the foreground.

The ALP statement had the following reaction among political leaders contacted by the Daily Worker:

1. They were worried over the people's yardstick by which the ALP would measure any mayoralty candidate. While they had expected a general progressive theme, they had hoped that it would leave enough "loopholes"

for them to deal with the ALP for the three top posts.

### LIBERALS' TACTICS

2. There was much comment on the contrast between the Labor Party statement and the Liberal Party tactics. The Liberal clique, headed by David Dubinsky, Alex Rose and Adolph A. Berle, State Chairman, is engaging in "backroom" discussions for patronage which put to shame the lustiest Tammany horse trader.

The Democratic leaders who in the past have cooperated with the ALP, and whose Assemblymen, State Senators and congressmen have joined on occasion with the ALP behind important measures, expressed the hope that such local coalition would continue.

Admitting that there was little possibility for the Democratic Party to select a mayoralty candidate who would measure up to the ALP's prerequisites, there was much speculation on coalition for such posts as city council, supreme court, municipal court judgeships and, as one leader said, even for district attorney and borough president.

In City Hall, the ALP attack on Mayor O'Dwyer's "sham shadow boxing with Tammany," on the city administration's collaboration with Dewey, and on the Liberal Party's "role as a political company

union," received much comment for its bluntness.

It appears yesterday that Supreme Court Justice Ferdinand C. Pecora was losing his early strength for Democratic nomination, mainly because of his vulnerability as one of the alleged participants in the famous Costello-sponsored Salvation Army dinner at the Copacabana last year. Brooklyn Borough President John Cashmore, who seemed to be out of the running two weeks ago, has again moved into the Number One position.

The resurgence of Cashmore is dictated by the fear of the other four county leaders to force a primary fight.

Should Cashmore get the nomination it would probably result in a deal whereby Kenneth Sutherland, Coney Island leader, would take over Cashmore's post as county leader, and James V. Mangano, 8th A. D. boss, would be the candidate for borough president.

Bronx boss Ed Flynn, it was reported, is not adverse to Cashmore but prefers Pecora, who is more acceptable to the Liberal Party.

The Fair Deal Democrats, led by their president, Joseph L. Broderick, met with Mayor O'Dwyer at City Hall yesterday in an effort to induce him to change his mind and run as candidate for reelection. The Mayor rejected their plea, as he did their request to cite his preference. O'Dwyer said that the choice of the candidate was up to the five county leaders but he did praise City Planning Commissioner Robert F. Wagner Jr. who was nominated as the Fair Deal candidate for mayor two weeks ago.

## GRAND JURY HEARS WIDOW OF NEGRO KILLED BY COP

Mrs. Lottie Newton, widow of Herman Newton, young Negro father recently slain by a Brooklyn cop off duty, has returned from her husband's burial in South Carolina and appeared yesterday before a Brooklyn Grand Jury probing the killing. Mrs. Newton's sister Dorothy, who was an eyewitness of the killing, accompanied Mrs. Newton.

The death of Newton was the climax of a series of beatings and killings by police in the Bedford-Stuyvesant community. The most vicious was the cold blooded killing of George Waddell by two detectives who invaded his home on the pretext of looking for a gambling game. When Waddell protested, the cops beat and then shot him in the back before his wife, Mrs. Doretta Waddell, and other relatives.

Subsequently, the Brooklyn National Association for the Advancement of Colored People demanded a probe of police "lawlessness" by Gov. Dewey. Since the Newton killing, the national office of the NAACP as well as the Harlem branch have joined in demanding investigations and action by both city, state and federal authorities. The demands to all the authorities have been accompanied by documented cases of police violence, illegal entry, search and seizures.

To back up these demands the NAACP has called a community-wide conference, June 27 at the

A. M. E. Zion Church, McDou-

nough Street and Tompkins Ave. Meanwhile, in Brooklyn Special Sessions Court yesterday frameup assault charges against Frank Shaw, a witness of the slaying of Waddell, were postponed until September. The detectives who killed Waddell claimed Shaw attacked them with a chair.

## Polio Strikes 194 In San Angelo

SAN ANGELO, Tex., June 20 (UP).—This polio-stricken city got its third coat of DDT today and city manager Sam Lawhon said spraying operations would continue until the epidemic subsides.

The outbreak has stricken 194 persons, killing eight.

Four new patients were admitted to Shannon Hospital yesterday, but nine were discharged to bring the total under treatment down to 58.

## James Ford Protests Harassment by FBI

James W. Ford, chairman of the Communist Party in Bedford-Stuyvesant and three times the Party's candidate for Vice President, revealed yesterday that he had indignantly rebuffed agents of the FBI who had been harassing him in an effort to secure stoolpigeon information about the Party.

Denouncing the activities of the FBI as those of "a dangerous secret police menace," Ford charged that the approach to him specifically was a direct "affront to the Negro people."

"It is particularly cynical," said Ford in a special statement, "since it flows from what is obviously the chauvinistic doctrine of white supremacy," which says the Negroes are without self-respect or that they do not know how to rebuff insults from the government and its agencies, including the FBI."

He added that if the harassment continued, he would take legal steps to end the FBI's activities against him and his family.

### TEXT OF STATEMENT

Text of Ford's statement follows: In recent weeks, agents of the FBI have accosted me on several occasions for the purpose of getting me to come down to the chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to make revelations.

In view of my long association with the Communist Party and my activities in the interest of American labor and the liberation movement of the Negro people, I



JAMES FORD

assume that the purpose of the FBI is to make inquiries about the Communist Party and my association with it. My own personal case also reveals the extent to which the FBI has developed into a dangerous political secret police menace.

In spite of the fact that I have (Continued on Page 10)

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Police were deluged with reports of floggings and death threats, all of them involving white persons accused by robbed and hooded assailants.

A 38-year-old mother broke a 17-day silence today to tell police that she and a 16-year-old daughter were flogged by a hooded mob while another daughter, with a rope about her neck, was forced to watch the attack.

All three were threatened with hanging, the mother said.

Another mob victim reported a rope was tied about his neck and pulled taut over a tree limb in a hanging threat.

Mrs. Irene Burton told police she and her daughter, Sally, were victims of a hooded gang on the night of June 3.

The same gang of white cloaked and hooded men who beat Mrs. Burton and her daughter, also flogged three men that night.

Mrs. Burton, of Sumiton in neighboring Walker county, said her daughter, Billy Faye, 18, was forced to watch as a mob of about 100 men, wearing hoods and robes, made her and Sally bend over. She said they first put a rope around Billy Faye's neck and threatened to hang the three of them.

"Then they made up bend over while they whipped up with ropes," she said.

A newspaper reporter was beaten when he tried to investigate new reports of violence committed by

hooded terrorists of the Ku Klux Klan.

Not a single arrest has been made in any of the KKK cases. Newspapers all over Alabama have sharply criticized authorities for not acting. The Birmingham News said, "... men sworn to uphold the law, backed by the united and indignant opinion of the public, must stop these outrages—and promptly."

The Klan attackers were called puppets by Alabama's Attorney General, A. A. Carmichael. He said that those who do the evil deeds are occupiers of shacks whereas those who manipulate these puppets occupy skyscrapers.

He lambasted the pullers of the puppets' strings and said: "They keep the race issue burning to maintain an economic and political barrier between white and black worker."

The Klan terror in Jefferson county and the entire South represents a new stage of attack by Wall Street big business.

In a statement to the press Sam Hall, Chairman of the Communist Party of Alabama said: "As growing unemployment ushers in the beginning of an economic crisis, the use of anti-Negro prejudice and terror to divide the people is stepped up in order that the full burden of the depression can be thrown upon the divided working people."

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At noon, there were still an estimated 3,000 waiting outside the Bronx County Building, which had run out of forms at 11 a.m. Forms were being rushed from

Manhattan offices. During the afternoon, six more offices were opened and they were all handling a land office rush. The two other offices were at 63 Park Row and 2 Frankfort St.

The projects for which applications were being made were the Pelham Parkway Houses, with 1,266 apartments, and the Eastchester Houses, with 874 apartments. Maximum income limits for the Pelham project is \$4,900 a year; for the Eastchester Houses, \$4,485 a year.

## Ask E. German Rise In Special Rations

BERLIN, June 19.—The Soviet zone Socialist Unity party announced today that it had asked an increase in special-quota food rations in east Germany as "the basic prerequisite for the fight for German unity." The announcement said the party had asked the east German economic commission to increase milk and fat rations for children, nursing mothers and persons who are ill.

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What about the "stabilizing" walkout called by union president John L. Lewis?

What he told us is what is pretty well known. That same speedup, which is knocking workers everywhere off jobs, is on in the mines.

Mechanization is proceeding swiftly in all the larger mines, resulting, on the one hand, in a hugely increased production with a smaller labor force, and, on the other, in a tremendous competitive advantage to the big companies, which have installed enormously expensive machinery.

The miners want the 30-hour week, with no cut in pay. The older miners are strong for an increase in the Welfare Fund, to be provided by increasing the present 20 cents a ton royalty on each ton mined.

"Before the big machines came in we could hear the cracking noises when the roof is going to cave in and had a chance to get away in time. We also had other signs of what was happening."

"Now when you're on a crew of

10 or a dozen men to a machine the noise and dust is so great and you've got to pay such attention to the machine itself, the first thing you know is you're covered and hit with the falling slate and rocks and don't have a chance to save yourself."

"Can the average miner and his family stand a long bitter fight, if it turns out that the companies won't give in?"

The miner smiled ironically.

"Miners know what a long fight means. The older men went through many. The younger fellows—well, most of them were in the war." They—he was confident—"they'll fight, too."

"It's really the women," he ended thoughtfully, "who'll have the hardest time. They'll have to stretch the dollars pretty thin. But miners' wives have faced this thing before. They'll stand with their menfolks!"

## LOS ANGELES DEMO CHIEFS OPPOSE MUNDT BILL

LOS ANGELES, June 20.—Unanimous opposition to the Mundt-Ferguson police state bills was announced by the county Democratic central committee.

The committee adopted a resolution by Victor M. Shapiro, 16th Congressional District chairman, which voiced "opposition and condemnation" of the bills.

California Senators and Congressmen, and "all Democrats in Congress" were urged to speak and vote against the Mundt-Ferguson measures in committee and on the floor.

Shapiro's resolution pointed out that last year the county Democrats unanimously opposed the

Mundt-Nixon bills later defeated in Congress.

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## Fur Leaflets Urge Election Of Potash

Thousands of leaflets were distributed throughout the fur market yesterday, calling upon fur workers to reelect the Rank and File administration of the CIO Furriers Joint Council in the elections on June 28 and 29. The leaflets urged the workers to reelect the officers, headed by Irving Potash, Council manager, who had been tested in struggles which have raised fur conditions and wages to among the highest in the nation.

They pointed out that, with developing unemployment and the sharpening of anti-labor political reaction, unity behind this courageous leadership was more essential than ever.

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# Expose Bias in Picking Seattle Juries

By Will Parry

SEATTLE, June 20. — A dramatic, fundamental attack on the entire method of jury selection in King County's superior courts got under way last week in the re-trial of Mrs. Florence Bean James, co-director of the Seattle Repertory Playhouse and one of the "Seattle Six" anti-Canwell Committee fighters.

Defense Attorney John Caughlan documented shocking charges that a preponderance of prospective jurors come from Seattle's "silk-stocking" and "blue-ribbon" residential areas, with a detailed statistical analysis of where jury panel members resided January through June, 1949.

## WORKERS EXCLUDED

Conversely, the analysis showed, workers both skilled and unskilled, the Negro people and members of national minorities are largely excluded by the method of selecting juries and by the economic hardship involved in leaving jobs for \$3 a day juror's fee for extended periods of time.

This evidence, introduced through former state Sen. Thomas C. Rabbitt, a defense witness, bared the fact that in Jury District No. 4, composed of the three legislative districts voting most heavily Democrats in 1948, a total of 37,347 persons voted, while only 234 persons appeared on the jury panels during that period.

Sharply contrasting were the figures for Jury District No. 3, comprising the two most heavily Republican legislative districts, where only 26,117 persons voted in 1948, and a total of 308 persons were named to jury panels during

the first half of 1949.

Supplementing the shocking figures was a map introduced by Rabbitt—on which a red dot had been placed to represent the residence of every juror chosen during the January-June period. The map showed heavy concentration of prospective jurors in the Queens Anne Hill, Capitol Hill, Madrona, Laurelhurst and University districts. There are almost solidly Republican districts, in which well-to-do or wealthy persons reside.

By contrast, only a scattering of red dots appeared across the map in the industrial, working-class south end of the city.

## JUDGES TESTIFY

Caughlan grilled two superior judges and several county officials and employees, painstakingly tracing the entire method by which the twelve persons who finally end up in the jury box actually get there.

Testimony given by Superior Judge Robert M. Jones before these detailed disclosures were made revealed that Judge Jones, who as presiding judge rules on whether prospective jurors may be excused for economic hardship or other reasons, regards the registered voters' lists from which jurors are chosen as "a very poor base."

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It called upon Mayor O'Dwyer to halt the mounting police terror

in that area, climaxed recently by a raid upon the Macedonian Baptist Church, 8301 Beach Channel Drive, while the body of a parishioner was being viewed by friends. Police had also, without provocation, arrested and beaten James O'Neal, financial secretary of the King Arthur Masonic Lodge, on the excuse that they were searching for "policy slips."

One of the main speakers was Dr. Marvin Rausch, resident of the community for 30 years and a leader of the local American Jewish Congress.

Rausch declared the AJC was

outraged by the police violence. He charged that the police in the 21st Division (which raided the church)

Other speakers included Mrs. Ada B. Jackson, prominent Negro women's leader of Brooklyn; May Murphy, independent Wholesale and Warehouse Local 65; Joseph Needleman, secretary of the Queens County American Labor Party; Melbourne Mitchell, administrative secretary of the New York State Civil Rights Congress; and representatives of other organizations, including the Communist Party.

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2) President Truman, protesting the frame-up of the 12 Communist leaders.

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groups at small booths.

A miner, who knew him, joined our group.

After some preliminary sparring we got to the meat of the matter. What do the miners want in a new contract with the companies, and what do they think are the prospects of getting their demands?

What about the "stabilizing" walkout called by union president John L. Lewis?

What he told us is what is pretty well known. That same speedup, which is knocking workers everywhere off jobs, is on in the mines.

Mechanization is proceeding swiftly in all the larger mines, resulting, on the one hand, in a hugely increased production with a smaller labor force, and, on the other, in a tremendous competitive advantage to the big companies, which have installed enormously expensive machinery.

The miners want the 30-hour week, with no cut in pay. The older miners are strong for an increase in the Welfare Fund, to be provided by increasing the present 20 cents a ton royalty on each ton mined.

"Before the big machines came in we could hear the cracking noises when the roof is going to cave in and had a chance to get away in time. We also had other signs of what was happening."

"Now when you're on a crew of

10 or a dozen men to a machine the noise and dust is so great and you've got to pay such attention to the machine itself, the first thing you know is you're covered and hit with the falling slate and rocks and don't have a chance to save yourself."

"Can the average miner and his family stand a long bitter fight, if it turns out that the companies won't give in?"

The miner smiled ironically.

"Miners know what a long fight means. The older men went through many. The younger fellows—well, most of them were in the war." They—he was confident—"they'll fight, too."

"It's really the women," he ended thoughtfully, "who'll have the hardest time. They'll have to stretch the dollars pretty thin. But miners' wives have faced this thing before. They'll stand with their menfolks!"

## LOS ANGELES DEMO CHIEFS OPPOSE MUNDT BILL

LOS ANGELES, June 20.—Unanimous opposition to the Mundt-Ferguson police state bills was announced by the county Democratic central committee.

The committee adopted a resolution by Victor M. Shapiro, 16th Congressional District chairman, which voiced "opposition and condemnation" of the bills.

California Senators and Congressmen, and "all Democrats in Congress" were urged to speak and vote against the Mundt-Ferguson measures in committee and on the floor.

Shapiro's resolution pointed out that last year the county Democrats, unanimously, opposed the

Mundt-Nixon bills later defeated in Congress.

"Today a masqueraded version of these old bills is up before congress in the guise of the Republican-sponsored Mundt and Ferguson bills, with even more grotesque and anti-democratic provisions," said the resolution.

"The bills seek to penalize organization and their members solely on the basis of ideas and opinions, rather than on the basis of illegal acts."

"Under the provisions of the bills, 'not only liberal organizations, but also labor organizations may be branded and destroyed,'"



## REPORT 20 GREEK PATRIOTS TO BE MURDERED SECRETLY

LONDON, June 20.—Twenty Greek Democrats sentenced to death some time ago have been taken from prisons in Athens to an unknown destination, the Greek News Agency reports. Among them is the journalist and Resistance hero, Manolis Glezos, whose execution was recently postponed following a worldwide protest.

It appears that a few days ago the men were taken from Athens to Piraeus, and immediately put on a boat which sailed at once without its destination being revealed. While nothing definite is known, it is suspected that Glezos and the others have been transferred either to the Aegina or Kephallonia prison where they could be secretly executed.

## Midwest Parley Forms Farm-Labor Committee

DAVENPORT, Iowa, June 20.—A two-day conference of farm and labor delegates, decided to set up a Midwest Farmer-Labor Committee. The new organization will carry on educational work and also aid

in existing organizations of farmers and workers. Fred Stover, president of the Iowa Farmers Union, discussed the farmers' fight for effective price support legislation and noted the parallel between it and labor's fight for the repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act. He pointed out that some farm "leaders" are to be found among the opponents of 100 percent parity or even 90 percent of parity, which they call "socialism." Stover asked:

"At what point does the farmers' fight for parity become Socialism? At 90 percent or 60 percent of parity—or somewhere in between. If 100 percent of parity is 'Red' what is 60 percent? Whatever they call it, we're for 100 percent of parity."

### FARMER-LABOR UNITY

William Smith, of the CIO Farm Equipment Workers, said, "Farmer-labor unity means unity of progressive labor and progressive farmers. It means being for peace and opposing the cold war, attacks on the monopolists, witch-hunts, and trial by headlines."

Smith told the conference that the "depression has already set in" and that workers were already feeling the effects of "unemployment, speedups, and layoffs" just as farmers are feeling the effects of "falling farm prices and lower incomes."

Stover declared: "We can't have the things we want as farmers and have war. We can't have parity and the Atlantic Pact. We can't have guns and butter."

Elmer Benson, former Farmer-Labor Party governor of Minnesota, said, "The only way to get what God intended us to get is to unite."

"Our government," he added, "is controlled and dominated by big business and military men to an extent never before known."

Delegates agreed that "personal

contacts must be developed" between farmers and workers.

An executive committee was elected to head up the new farmer-labor group, consisting of: Roy Dyas, Iowa Farmers Union; Homer Ayres, farmer-labor relations director of the CIO Farm Equipment Workers; Alice Smith, regional vice president, CIO United Electrical Workers; Mae Davis, recording secretary, CIO Food and Tobacco Workers; Graham Dolan of the CIO Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers Union; Walter Johnson, president of the Land O'Lakes Cooperative; and a representative of the Packinghouse Workers Union to be designated later by that organization.

Several of the trade unions and farm organizations pledged definite sums to continue the work of the Farmer-Labor Alliance, and individual farmers as well as workers enthusiastically promised to help finance the group.

More than a hundred delegates attended the two-day conference, coming from 12 states and traveling as many as 1,500 miles to get there.

### Czech Film Festival To Give Peace Prize

PRAGUE, June 20 (Telepress).—A Peace Prize and a Work Prize will be awarded at this year's International Film Festival which, as in previous years, will take place at Mariánské Lázně near here, one of the most beautiful spots in Czechoslovakia. The festival will be held from July 23 to Aug. 7.

There will be a larger number of prizes presented this year than last year. In addition to last year's total of 15 prizes, five new prizes will be awarded for the best educational and experimental films, the best children's film, the best feature, and the best instructional film.

# Unions of 25 Nations Aid Canadian Seamen's Strike

Trade unions of more than 25 countries have refused to unload Canadian ships declared scab by the Canadian Seamen's Union. The strike began April 1, when Canadian shipowners signed a back-door agreement with union-busting officials of the AFL

Seafarers International Union. The story of international labor solidarity in support of the strike is told in the CSU strike bulletin as follows:

This worldwide support of the CSU strike has mounted in the past month. Sixteen thousand dockers in Great Britain alone are striking against the firing of 150 fellow union members who refused to discharge the scab manned Montreal City.

Crews of six British ships staged a sit down strike aboard their respective vessels in sympathy with the striking dockers.

### SUPPORT GROWING

Support is growing day by day in foreign ports. Countries like Japan and the Philippines, both under the heel of American imperialism, are firmly behind the strike and will not touch any Canadian ship that reaches their shores. The stevedores of the Mediterranean island of Cyprus, a British-occupied island off the coast of Greece, where Canadian ships often call for fruits, will no longer load their fruit while the ships are on strike.

Australian dockers and seamen have declared they will boycott Canadian ships unless the Canadian seamen in Australia, who were removed from their ships for striking, are repatriated home, and are provided with proper living conditions while waiting.

On the West Coast of America, stretching from San Pedro to Alaska, no East Coast ship can load or unload without seeing the accusing placards on the shoulders of workers defending the CSU strike.

In Seattle, the shipyard workers refused to do repairs on the SS Argohn.

### MURDER ON COAST

American trade unionists marched in picket lines with mourning bands around their arms protesting the third death of Canadian seamen on the West Coast.

Latest member to be killed was Harvey Beauchesne, brother-in-law of T. G. McManus, secretary-treasurer of the CSU. His body was found floating in San Francisco Bay. Two other Canadian seamen were also murdered. They were Leonard F. Richards, found floating in Los Angeles bay on April 9 and Charles W. Leslie, who had a mysterious accident and fatal skull fracture. Mystery still surrounds these brothers' deaths. Little attempt has been made to find the ones responsible. And a

keen black-out has been accorded these victims of gangsters by the press.

The World Federation of Trade Unions, consisting of 65,000,000 members is lending full support to the CSU strike.

Canadian ships are now tied up in Great Britain, Norway, Italy, South Africa, United States, Australia, New Zealand and British Guiana.

Several ships have managed—with the aid of police and scab crews flown to different countries at tremendous expense to sneak out of ports in Cuba. (where the Cuban Navy fired on a CSU crew) and other ports in France, Holland, Belgium and Australia.

The 25 countries, whose workers have emphatically declared that they will support the CSU until final victory has been achieved are as follows:

Trieste, Italy, Rumania, Albania, South Africa, Port of Spain B. W. I., United Kingdom, Holland, Norway, Belgium, France, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Cuba, Mexico, Colombia, Chile, United States (west coast), Alaska, Honolulu, Japan, Australia, New Zealand, and Cyprus.

## Nickel Trust Doubles Profits

TORONTO, June 20 (Telepress).—Figures released recently by the International Nickel Co. monopoly, which produces 90 percent of the world supply of nickel in the company-ruled cities of Sudbury, Copper Cliff and surrounding areas, show a net profit for the first three months of 1949 of \$12,762,467, or \$2,000,000 more than the same period last year, and double the 1946 figure.

Net sales of \$55,624,831 were approximately \$10,000,000, or 22 percent greater than sales for the same period in 1948.

Working capital increased to \$157,000,327 at March 31, 1949.

The company paid dividends of 84 cents per share, more than double the current dividend requirements of 40 cents.

At the same time, the Inco monopoly refuses to meet the demands of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, CIO, for a 30 percent wage increase and a 40-hour week for the company's 12,000 workers.

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## Press Rabid as Robeson Son Weds

Led by the New York Post and the Daily Mirror, local newspapers yesterday indulged in an orgy of anti-Negro incitement in their chauvinistic reports of the wedding of Paul Robeson, Jr., son of the world-famous Negro baritone, and Miss Marilyn Paula Greenberg, his 21-year-old college sweetheart.

The request of the bridal couple and their parents for privacy was rudely ignored by the papers, which sent squads of cameramen to the affair in an attempt to disrupt the ceremony. The cameramen acted with blatant chauvinism, creating a disturbance during and after the wedding.

They attempted to invade the apartment of the Rev. John W. Darr, at 200 W. 107 St., who performed the ceremony, and when stopped by Mrs. Eslanda Robeson, started a disturbance in the hallway.

When the young couple emerged after the ceremony, the cameramen, protected by policemen mysteriously assigned to the affair, again sought to break into the wedding crowd, rudely pushing people and attempting to enter the car of the bridal couple.

Every single paper blew up the fact that the bride was white. The Post found it of "more than usual significance" that Miss Greenberg's father did not attend the ceremony. Not content with this anti-Negro reporting, the paper then attempted to harass the bride's parents with phone calls demanding an "explanation" of the events.

The "Mirror," whose photographer Carl Prince acted with special rudeness, referred to the great Negro singer as a "bouncer" because

of his efforts to protect his son and daughter-in-law from the anti-Negro newspapers.

The entire conduct of the press, both in covering the wedding and reporting it, was without precedent in the city. Weddings of the Negro people are snubbed as social events by the city's press and the great amount of space given the Robeson wedding was an obvious attempt to play upon "racist" prejudice, through hostile emphasis of the marriage of a Negro youth to a white girl.

The Times and Herald Tribune, both of which attempted to avoid the crude incitement of their contemporaries, nevertheless played the story in their news pages, not among their regular social pages, which carry wedding reports. The Times singled out for mention in its headline that "Commotion at Minister's House Irks Bridegroom's Father."

It would have been quite unusual not to be "ripped" at the display put on by the papers

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## Around the Globe

By Joseph Starobin

### French CP Policy on Colonial Peoples

THE FRENCH Communist Party has been devoting increasing attention to its responsibilities with respect to the peoples of the French Empire. One might almost say, judging from the French press, that that Communists have reviewed their policy toward the Empire peoples and have sharpened their attention to this whole subject.

In recent months, the attack on the war in Indo-China has grown. "La sale guerre," or the "dirty war," is the way L'Humanite refers to it, and the Communist deputies have been fighting tooth and nail against any further credits for the war, while demanding that the government cease its maneuvers with Emperor Bai Dai, and come to terms with the actual government of Viet-Nam, headed by Ho Chi-minh.

Hardly a week passes without a demonstration, a poster, a resolution condemning this war. And the campaign gains increasing popularity as the dead and wounded among the 130,000 French troops in Indo-China are disembarked at Marseilles almost every day.

EARLY THIS YEAR, L'Humanite sent one of its star editorial writers, Pierre Herve, for a trip through what is known as "Afrique Noire"—Black Africa—that section of the Empire from Dakar southeastward to Brazzaville. Herve attended the congress of that remarkable liberation movement of French Africa known as the RDA (Rassemblement Democratique Africain), headed by the distinguished African leader, Gabriel d'Arboussier—an organization with about a million supporters, with which the Communist Party closely cooperates. Subsequently, L'Humanite ran a special feature beginning May First for almost a month in which Herve described the political, economic and social conditions in French West Africa and Equatorial Africa.

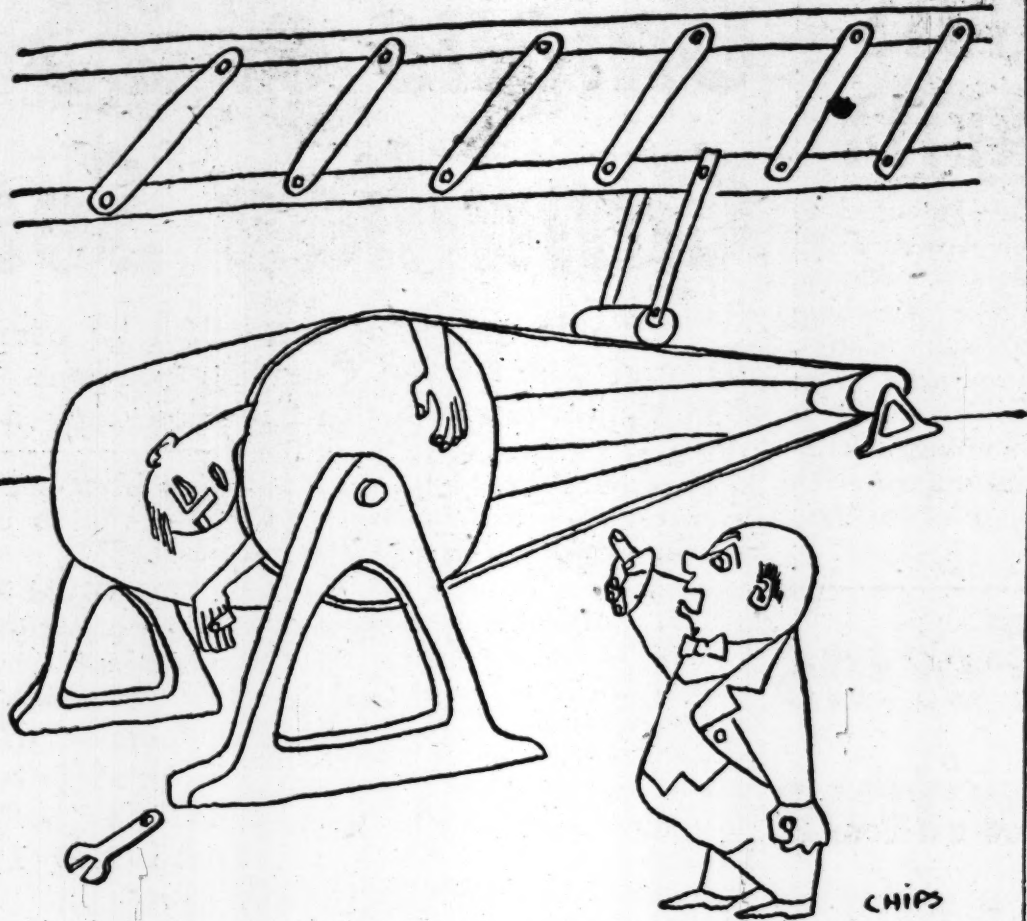
In the last days of May, just as the president of the French Republic, Vincent Auriol, was touring Algeria, the French Party's general secretary, Jacques Duclos, made a 10-day trip of his own, following the congress of the Algerian Communist Party. Duclos has spoken in all the major cities of Algeria. He has met with outstanding local leaders, as well as fraternal representative to the Algerian Congress from the Communist Party of Morocco and the Communist Party of Tunisia—both French "protectorates." According to Herve's reports in L'Humanite, d'Arboussier also made the tour with Duclos.

Everywhere, the French leader spoke of Algeria as a "nation in formation," although it is technically part of metropolitan France. He has stressed the struggle for Algerian democratic and national rights, and assured his listeners that the French Communists are solidly behind the peoples of North Africa in their liberation battle. Duclos has stressed the necessity of Frenchmen living in North Africa to cooperate with the Algerian people—40 percent of the Algerian Communist Party are not of Arab-Berber origin—and has attacked all manifestations of chauvinism. By contrast with Auriol's trip, closely guarded by the police to ward off popular demonstrations, Duclos' tour seems to have called forth tremendous popular feeling. It was a counter-demonstration to French imperialism.

FRENCH NORTH AFRICA has been a key area of American imperialist penetration since the war. It figures very prominently in both the economic and military plans of the Atlantic Pact. Casablanca is the major Atlantic port for access to North Africa, as well as the hopping-off point for air-routes eastward to Tripoli and Suez.

Exploitation of lead and manganese deposits in Morocco has zoomed. Lead production increased from 15,000 tons in 1946 to 100,000 tons this year, while manganese had quadrupled to 200,000 tons in the same time span. A deal between Shell and Gulf Oil now accounts for 65 percent of Tunisian oil exploitation.

And there is every sign that in the battle with British imperialism, American Big Business envisages its major advantage in subordinating the French African empire to itself. In view of this, the rapid growth of a people's movement in the Mediterranean region as well as in French "Black Africa" is of the greatest importance.



"Jackson, quit loafing and get back to work."

## Letters from Readers

### Marxist Students Warn of Chauvinism

New York Editor, Daily Worker:

Members of a Marxist Institute class at the Jefferson School of Social Science, at a recent session on white chauvinism, brought forward some instances of chauvinist expressions that slipped into the pages of the Daily Worker.

One instance was the use of the Spanish word "manana" (tomorrow) in a "filler" telling readers not to put off till "manana" subscriptions to the paper. Use of this word is a slanderous intimation that Latin Americans are "lazy." It is used by exploiters to justify exploitation, and to insinuate that the backward conditions in colonies of American imperialism are the fault of the people themselves. Particular care not to use

such expressions should be exercised at the present time when the attacks on Puerto Ricans in New York, and the increasingly oppressive conditions in Puerto Rico and other Latin American countries make it imperative to have the American working class join the struggle against American imperialism.

American workers are influenced by the ideology of the world's most powerful capitalist class, and this ideology can be successfully combatted only through intensified struggle for Negro rights and for the liberties and economic improvement of the Latin American peoples. We hope that news of such struggles finds even more space in the Daily Worker, including guidance on concrete actions, such as the struggle for Puerto Rican independence.

—STUDENTS.

## Press Roundup

THE NEWS revives one of the last depression's routines for this depression. It graciously advises job-seekers to "look your best," to "dress conservatively and neatly," etc. The idea, of course, is to implant in America's mind that joblessness is not a symptom of a rotting system but a personal inadequacy. The News also counsels the newly-employed that the company is taking a "gamble," so "put off asking for a raise."

THE COMPASS calls Truman to task for failing to see "a single thing to worry about in the current red witchhunt." But it says Truman was more correct than he realized when he said it will all die down eventually. Just as Jefferson got rid of the Alien and Sedition Acts, the Compass implies, the people will replace the Truman policy.

THE SUN hails the rightwing leaders of the CIO Textile Workers Union as "realists" for barring a request for a wage increase.

THE TIMES applauds Dewey's "statesmanlike speech," shares his anger at the "amazing complacency" about the "continued Communist conquest of Asia." It fretfully warns: "And what is true today of Asia may be true tomorrow of Africa."

THE HERALD TRIBUNE, impatient while the Demogop's decide who'll be our next

mayor, announces its choice — DA Frank Hogan. "We believe that the Hogan candidacy has stature which rises above ordinary party lines," the Trib declares, likening its man to a "brilliant predecessor." If the word "brilliant" throws you, the Trib's talking of ex-DA Dewey.

THE MIRROR's vacationing Victor Riesel has his column filled by CIO president Philip Murray. Murray whines that "we made no attacks on the profit system as such" and "the CIO took a forthright stand in opposition to the Communist doctrine," but "despite these things, we are constantly being tagged incorrectly." It's "irritating" and "sometimes" it's even "infuriating." The question is, has Riesel really gone away?

THE JOURNAL-AMERICAN editorializes: "The FBI is Not On Trial" in reference to the public clamor over disclosure of FBI lists of prominent non-Communists as "reds." It says the FBI did not "smear" these people, but that Miss Coplon's defense did by making the FBI lists public. But, true to itself, the Journal winds up with a snarling question: "How did so many persons get their names on the lists?"

THE POST calls for government action now on the depression, which, it assures its readers, is not a "1929-model national crisis."

## World of Labor

By George Morris

### Why Curran Didn't Bother to Prepare

THE CIO'S MARITIME UNION LEADERS are the next batch of rightwing officials to settle for a song. Joe Curran's intention to settle for nothing (and it was nothing) was indicated two months ago when he embarked for Israel as one member of a CIO delegation. He evidently considered it more important to go to Israel to tell the unionists there that our State Department wouldn't like it if Histadrut stayed in the World Federation of Trade Unions, than to prepare for a wage fight here.

He felt it safe to leave as negotiations began because an agreement with the shipowners was already cut and dried. Actually there were no serious negotiations. That 300-page book of contract changes and demands the NMU submitted, only helped make it look real. But the book just made a lot of work for stenographers and mimeographers. The negotiations were phony.

Back in the country, as negotiations were in their last stage, Curran appeared remarkably undisturbed although he had to admit at a New York membership meeting that the shipowners are giving nothing. To proposals from the floor that some steps be taken to prepare for a strike in the event the attitude of the shipowners showed no change by June 15, Curran told the seamen that he had a higher strategy up his sleeve, one that needed no strike vote or preparations.

THERE WASN'T A SIGN of strike preparation since. Curran didn't even make a serious try to make his play look good. That "last ditch" long session to give members an impression that some hard bargaining was done, is an old well-known method of phony bargainers.

Curran had little cause to fear rejection of the contract by the members when he placed it before them AFTER the deadline was passed. Most members confronted with the alternative of approval or, as they were told, staying out on strike without the slightest preparation and in face of opposition and sabotage by their own officials, took the what's-the-use attitude.

In this connection Curran was greatly helped by the so-called "left" renegades from communism like vice-president Jack Lawrenson. Curran in effect told the members take it or hit the bricks immediately and get licked. Lawrenson took the line that reaction is on the march, that you can't fight against the shipowners in such a situation, and a strike would be suicide. The line of the "left" and right demagogues coincided, notwithstanding their differences.

The \$7.50 added to the monthly pay for a clothing allowance was won by the West Coast seamen long ago. It will make little difference in the seaman's pay envelope. But something else is implied in this shipowner generosity. The seamen are expected to don the "monkey suits" planned for them a long time. U.S. Lines has already been pressing its seamen to wear uniforms. But the seamen are resisting. It smells of the general campaign now under way to put seamen in the category of semi-governmental employees and Navy auxiliaries.

THE SEAMEN ALSO know that since Curran took the reins shipowners have been chiseling on the manning scales. The contract has not restored the cuts although it is supposed to be a guarantee against further cuts.

Several other "fringe" concessions had been obtained long ago by West Coast Cooks and Stewards and the Marine Firemen. The West Coast men still retain advantages.

The most important problem, however, is the rotary hiring hall. The shipowners let it remain, pending a decision upon it by the Supreme Court. If the high court kills it, both sides reserve a right to reopen and renegotiate the entire contract. The union would have an opportunity to strike for a satisfactory hiring system while the shipowners, presumably, would try for a top-to-bottom Taft-Hartley contract.

The fact that the shipowners dropped their plan to be rid of the hiring hall immediately is largely due to the victory scored by the unions on the West Coast after a three-month strike last fall. They won retention of the hiring hall.

It's quite a change from the days when the NMU was known as America's fighting union; when it was allied in solidarity pacts with the West Coast and when it was really feared by the shipowners.

**COMING: Foster's New Book Reviewed by Elizabeth Gurley Flynn . . . in the weekend Worker**



## FBI's Spies Smoked Out

THE FBI, REPORTS the New York Times (June 19) is sore that "its undercover network" has been revealed to the American people.

Yes, that's the word—"the undercover network."

It was revealed in the Coplon case that the FBI plants hired informers inside every social and political agency of American life, in unions, churches, political parties, universities, schools, etc.

This is J. Edgar Hoover's "undercover network" built up by him with assistance and encouragement of Congress and the Wall Street financiers who need such a secret police against the working class and the Negro people.

Thomas Jefferson despised "an undercover network" as an instrument of legal democratic American government.

President Lincoln never heard of a secret political police as the weapon for recording the political opinions of Americans at home, in bars, and other meeting places.

There is nothing in the Constitution about a secret political police run behind the scenes with unlimited funds by private individuals for the class interests of the Tories and the rich.

YET, FOR THE PAST 25 YEARS, this "undercover network" has been steadily increasing its power and arrogance.

Presidents have come and gone. Hoover went and Roosevelt came. The New Deal came and was betrayed. President Truman now leads (or misleads) the nation. Through it all, the "undercover network" organized by the Department of Justice has waxed fat with lush appropriations. It has a free hand granted by Congress, the Presidential office, and the bi-partisan GOP-Democratic system.

Today, this secret political agency has become the arbiter of all opinions. More and more, it acts as the police club of the class dictatorship which lurks behind the machinery of democracy in a capitalist country. It decides who is "subversive." It records conversations, taps wires, hires stoolpigeons, and operates behind the back of the nation.

WHY IS THE FBI EMBARRASSED by the disclosure of its secret spies running loose among the American people?

Because it knows that its spies are despised by all decent men. Because it knows that it is flouting the American Constitution, undermining our traditional democratic liberties, and turning the America of Jefferson and Lincoln into a police state ruled with an iron hand for the privileges and power of the financial oligarchy in Wall Street.

The FBI's "undercover network" is a menace to the internal security of the nation. It acts to protect the KKK, the enemies of the 13th, 14th and 15th amendments to the Constitution. It spreads fear, mistrust and divides the nation into citizens who fear to organize and unite for common political aims. It gives aid and comfort to every anti-American, pro-fascist force in the country working to abolish the traditional liberties of a democratic republic.

Above all, the FBI's illegal "undercover network" works to crush any public sentiment for peace. It is, above all, the private agency of the Wall Street oligarchy, which seeks war as the way to maintain profits.

The public has gained something in smoking out the "undercover network" which has been invading its homes, unions, churches and schools.

America once before faced a similar "undercover network" of spies who hounded the Jeffersonian democrats in the interests of the wealthy financier-merchant class headed by the Federalists.

Led by Jefferson, who saw in this political police the ruination of the new American Republic, the country abolished this secret political police in an upheaval of popular anger which was as momentous as the 1776 Revolution itself.

The American people must rid the nation of this "undercover network," which serves not the nation but a class, the minority of the financial-industrial cliques. The Bill of Rights and the FBI's "undercover network" are incompatible. One or the other must go. We have no doubt which the people will choose.



## Mass Hanging in 1877 Failed to Stop Mine Union

By Art Shields

Judge Medina would learn something of the historical futility of frameups if he studied the story of the hanging of 10 innocent Irish coal miners in Pennsylvania 72 years ago today. On June 21, 1877, six innocent miners were strangled to death on the gallows in Pottsville, Pa., for murders they did not commit.

Four others were hanged in Mauch Chunk the same day.

Ten others—making 20 altogether—were hanged in the next two years.

All were framed by the Pinkerton Detective Agency, the forerunner of the FBI, which directs the frameups today.

These union coal miners, the so-called "Molly Maguires," were the "first martyrs to the class struggle in America," said Eugene V. Debs, the great Socialist leader, 30 years after.

### CAUSE TRIUMPHED

But the cause they died for triumphed after their death.

The 10 butchered miners had been rank and file leaders of the men in the five months' strike of the Miners & Laborers' Union in the anthracite region in 1875.

They were leaders also in the movement to revive the organization after it was crushed.

The Reading Railroad Co., which directed the frameups, thought the open shop would come back for keeps after their deaths.

But the miners were actually reorganizing in a new militant union, the Knights of Labor, while the gallows traps were being sprung. And the miners today are organized 100 percent in the United Mine Workers of America.

Judge Medina would have felt at home in the first great labor frameup in America.

It was carried out in a wildly hysterical atmosphere of redbaiting and lying.

Truth had nothing to do with the propaganda that came out of the courtroom and the newspapers.

### ARCHBISHOP'S ROLE

These Catholic Irishmen were denounced as "atheists" and "Communists." They believed in God, but not in the coal operators, whose lynch gangs had murdered some of their friends.

They were excommunicated at the direction of Archbishop Wood, the Catholic prelate who directed the clergy of the anthracite lands. Their children were denied burial in consecrated ground.

"The gates of heaven (are)

## Our 'First Martyrs'

Here are the ten union coal miners who died on the gallows for labor on June 21, 1877, 72 years ago today. Eugene V. Debs called them Labor's "first martyrs."

Six were hanged at Pottsville, Pa.; two by two, in the order given below. Four others were hanged together at Mauch Chunk, Pa.

### At Pottsville:

James Boyle, who said on the scaffold: "We'll die like men."

Hugh McGehan.

James Carroll.

James Roarty.

Thomas Munley.

Thomas Duffy.

### At Mauch Chunk:

Michael J. Doyle.

Edward Kelly.

John Donahue.

Alexander Campbell.

closed against them," jeered the prosecutor in the courtroom as he called for the hanging of the coal miners.

The prosecutor was Franklin B. Gowen, the president of the Reading Railroad, who had hired the Pinkertons to frame them.

Gowen had hired the Pinkertons in 1873, shortly after he had organized the anthracite coal operators into America's first price-fixing cartel.

A Pinkerton spy, James McParlan, and a crook named "Kelly the bum," who had done time for highway robbery, were his chief witnesses at the coming trials.

The frameup king was basking in the sun of newspaper acclaim as he was railroading America's early workers' leaders to the noose. But he was to confess his life a shame and failure later when he shot himself dead in a hotel room in Philadelphia on Dec. 9, 1889.

And the innocence of some of his victims, and the "dubious"

testimony against others was conceded later in a book recommended by a future president of the same Reading company, R. W. Brown (See Ruler of the Reading, by Marvin W. Schlegel, assistant state historian of Pennsylvania, 1947, Archives Publishing Co., Harrisburg, Pa., with a foreword by Brown).

### INNOCENCE ADMITTED

The miners died like heroes, two by two, clasping each other's hands on the scaffold before the fatal drops.

Some of the men were allowed to choke to death slowly, reported the New York Tribune.

The Tribune, however, tried to justify the butchery editorially as an act of necessary "terrorism" by the courts.

But this terrorism quickly proved to be an historical failure.

That's a lesson Medina should learn as he puts defendants in chains and denies them proper benefit of counsel.



FIRST, an apology to the Crafts Section (A.F.L.) of Chicago for an unfortunate typographical error. The cash amount they gave me was not \$50, as it appeared here Friday, but \$500. This was over and above their fund drive quota of \$3,450 which they had already completed.

At the Du Sable Center Press conference in Chicago, a slight little woman, Clara, press director of the 23rd Ward Club, Cacchione Section, made a speech that lifted the meeting out of its routine. It said a lot, and I think you'll enjoy it as much as we did. She said:



"I did not intend to speak today. However, I have been Press Director of my club for little over a week, and have turned in nine subs today, and we want everybody to know that within this week we distributed all renewals, turned in nine, accounted for two others, paid all our press bills, and even have \$2.66 left in the Press fund. Also 10 3-cent stamps.

"There are some comrades, and I am one of them, who become specialists at one job. It is good to have specialists. I have been and will probably be always a press director. When I see today the leading comrades of Chicago, and Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, come together on a hot day, for the single purpose of planning the building of The Worker, then I feel fine.

"It was only a little while back that the press was a secondary matter in the work of the Party. It was a hack job. It was a peddling papers job. 'Please give us a little time on the agenda. Just enough for an announcement, if

nothing else.' If we were thronging a bell, someone is ill; someone is out of a job, someone is on strike, or broke; or maybe just confused and bewildered. These people need us, and in many cases, are waiting for us.

"Today, The Worker is first on the agenda. It makes me feel very good! It is, at this time, the best, yet the most difficult time to build our paper. In the same way, Jimcrow and anti-Semitism are at their peak, while at the same time the people are becoming increasingly aware that all prejudice is in some way tied up with their economic and personal hardships. I guess these things would come under the heading of 'Contradictions of Capitalism.'

"YEARS AGO I went to a factory gate with leaflets, or went out to sell Workers, I felt alone. 'They' were the people, and I was 'the Communist', on the other side of the fence, isolated. Today I don't feel that way any more. Now when I go out with leaflets to the plant gates, I feel that I'm the people, and there is no barrier. We are all in the same boat. They feel it too.

"Sooner or later, we are all going to have to sell The Worker, because no matter what we try to prove or accomplish, we will not be able to do it without our paper. It will be our chief weapon. So we might well analyze the sort of work we will be doing. What do we do when we ring a doorbell to sell The Worker? It is not a peddling job, where we sell a paper, and collect some money. When we ring that doorbell, we are carrying out a political act of the highest calibre, a political act that may change our relations with that person with society.

"What's behind that door? Chances are, that wherever you

## Life of the Party

By Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, Member, National Committee, Communist Party

done with them. We will check on each member of our club to see that everyone has a sub of their own."

WHAT ARE you doing now about Winston, Hall and Gates, who are still in jail, victims of Medina's vicious injustice? During the past week President Truman gave forth a hypocritical interview on civil liberties, which are in a healthy state according to him. He assures us that no member of his administration would violate anybody's civil rights! Let's tell President Harry S. Truman some of the facts of life in relation to this subject. So far protests were directed to Judge Medina. Let us do a repeat performance this week but direct our protests to the President.

"Tell him about the three brave men in jail here in 'contempt,'

whose constitutional rights were thrown in the waste basket by Judge Medina. Tell him about Mrs. Hilde Eisler, with no charge against her, held for over a month on Ellis Island for sheer spite on Tom Clark's part.

"How does President Truman explain that Hall and Winston were in jail for five days illegally, without even the formality of a contempt citation by Judge Medina, and the court record had to be falsified to conceal this violation of elementary civil rights? Remanding bail as a punishment for contempt is in itself a civil rights violation.

Our Party and many other progressive people responded splendidly in an active fighting spirit against these jailings. Protest actions were organized throughout the country demanding the reversal of the informer decree and the freeing of the three prisoners. But it is not enough. They must be extended and wires by the thousands sent now to that vocal "champion of civil rights"—President Truman, from whom the American people demand deeds—not words.

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## James Ford Protests

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told the FBI agents who have ac-  
cused me that I have no com-  
munication to make to them or  
anyone else in the Bureau, and  
that I do not desire to be inter-  
rogated, they nevertheless persist  
in molesting me.

I want to register my vigorous  
protest against this conduct of the  
FBI and to express my profound  
indignation at the implication that  
there is anything for me to com-  
municate about the Communist  
Party or the labor movement or  
the Negro people's movement  
which would interest the FBI.

### INSULT TO NEGRO PEOPLE

I especially resent the implied  
suggestion that because I am a  
Negro I may be rudely approached  
or might be persuaded to become  
a false tale-bearer for the FBI.  
This is an affront to the Negro  
people. It is particularly cynical  
since it flows from what is obviously  
the chauvinistic doctrine of  
white "supremacy" which says that  
Negroes are without self-respect  
or that they do not know how to  
rebuff insults from the government  
and its agencies, including the  
FBI.

In this connection, one need  
only observe the silence of the  
FBI regarding violent intimidation  
and outright murder of Negro  
citizens by police in various cities  
throughout the country. For in-  
stance, there is a move to sur-  
render a Negro in the Bronx to a  
chaingang in the South by the  
State of New York. There are the  
cases of police murder of George  
Waddell, Herman Newton and  
William Milton in Brooklyn.

In New Jersey, six Negroes have  
been framed up in Trenton and  
sentenced to death. Mrs. Rosa  
Lee Ingram and her two sons  
languish in a Georgia prison, vic-  
tims of white "supremacy" brutality.

It may be that, just as degraded  
elements are to be found among  
other groups, there are some Ne-

groes who betray their people,  
whose interests the government is  
unwilling to protect. But this  
miserable effort to supply motives  
to prosecute the Communist Party  
is an insult to Negroes because  
they know that the Communist  
Party is the most valiant fighter  
for their rights in the face of the  
vildest persecutions.

### A COURAGEOUS PEOPLE

The Negro people are not stool-  
pigeons. They have not lost their  
courage nor their common sense.  
Their conscience will never recon-  
cile itself to the protection of reac-  
tion. In spite of intimidation, terror  
and lynch violence against them in  
present-day American society, they  
are an honorable people.

And in spite of the low level  
of material and cultural well-being  
enforced upon them by monopoly  
capitalists and their ruling circles,  
Negro workers and poor farmers  
in the South and intellectuals  
stand, both politically and cultur-  
ally, on levels with other demo-  
cratic masses in the country. I am  
proud of this fact and I am myself  
a loyal son of the Negro people  
and of the American workingclass.

During my many years of ac-  
tivity in the Communist Party, I  
have been plentifully abused by  
American reactionaries and Negro  
haters, and every word stated here  
is an expression of my profound  
indignation at the crimes now  
being committed against the Com-  
munist Party and its leaders, par-  
ticularly its Negro leaders.

I am strengthened in my indig-  
nation by the fact that I know that  
large numbers of my own people,  
the Negro people, are sorely ag-  
grieved at these petty individual  
FBI annoyances, redbaiting and  
war hysteria, and they draw their  
own conclusions, while their own  
rights and civil liberties go un-  
noticed and unprotected.

In conclusion, should I or mem-  
bers of my family be subjected to  
further annoyances by FBI agents,  
I will take such steps as my attor-  
neys may advise.



## FISHBEIN OUT, BUT AMA PUSHES ANTI-HEALTH DRIVE

By Federated Press

For 25 years Dr. Morris Fishbein has been the voice of the American Medical Association. At the recent AMA Atlantic City convention he was unceremoniously yanked from power by the wealthy doctors who rule the organization.

But the end of Fishbein's reign as propaganda chief and editor of the AMA Journal does not mean any switch in the AMA drive to keep the American people from getting adequate medical care through a government health insurance program.

This was the conclusion of Dr. George D. Cannon, 46-year-old secretary of Physicians Forum, an organization of doctors who believe that the only way to keep America healthy is to have a government plan.

"Fishbein has been in hot water," Cannon told Federated Press. "The AMA had to blame someone for the bad publicity it has received. And he was picked as the scapegoat by the real rulers of the AMA."

**TAKING OVER** the reins from Fishbein is the slick San Francisco publicity firm of Whitaker & Baxter, which successfully master-minded a campaign against health insurance in California. At the publicists's disposal will be the several million dollars reportedly raised to date by the AMA through its \$25 per member assessment.

## Chafee Blasts Mundt Bill At Harvard Meet

Special to the Daily Worker

BOSTON, June 20.—A Harvard College commencement audience yesterday heard a blistering denunciation of the Mundt and Ferguson bills by a noted expert on constitutional law. Prof. Zachariah Chafee Jr., Langdell professor of law at Harvard Law School, told the commencement week meeting of the Harvard Phi Beta Kappa Society that the bills, if passed, would inaugurate "a period of police-state control in America."

In a powerful attack on the police-state bills, Chafee declared that the bills, and not the Communist Party, were the real danger to American security and peace. Chafee warned that government approval of spying would unleash the greatest witch-hunt of the century. He declared that passage of the bills would transform America's way of life to one of "neighbor snooping on neighbor." The bills would "strait-jacket presses and publications," Chafee said.

## French Gov't to Seek Soviet Trade Pact

PARIS, June 20 (UP).—The government announced today it will begin negotiations with the Soviet Union in Moscow Wednesday for a new commercial agreement.

French economic experts will leave here today to consult with Embassy officials in Moscow before the first meeting with Soviet economic officials.

## Seattle Unionists Rap Jailings

SEATTLE, June 20.—More rights as defendants and upon the leading trade unionists here added their voices to swelling protests against Judge Harold R. Medina's "stool or else" edict in Foley Square trial of U. S. Communist party leaders.

"No court has the right to jail a man who refuses to turn stool-pigeon on his associates," declared Harold Johnson, business agent of Machinists Lodge 79. "The uncalled-for jailing of three defendants is a direct attack on their

Goal of the AMA is a \$3,500,000 anti-health insurance slush fund.

Cannon said the convention's sudden approval of voluntary health insurance programs indicates that the public demand for decent medical care is putting the AMA on the defensive. "While the AMA isn't changing its real ideas," he asserted, "it is being forced to yield by the ever-growing public recognition that adequate medical care is a basic right."

**THAT THE AMA** is not slackening its drive against what it falsely terms "socialized medicine" is evident from a broadside which doctors have just received from the high-pressure propagandists now directing the AMA campaign.

Two pamphlets are included in the mailing along with a covering letter. "An initial shipment of 10,000 copies of each has been sent to your state medical society," the letter points out, "and millions of copies are available for distribution to doctors through their state and county societies. . . . It is of urgent importance that these pamphlets have quick, widespread distribution."

One of the pamphlets reproduces on its cover the famous Sir Luke Fildes painting, The Doctor. It shows a room, dimly lit by an oil lamp, where a little girl lies stretched out on a bed improvised from two kitchen chairs. The doctor watches, chin in hand, while in the background the mother weeps over her sick child. Keep Politics Out of this Picture, says the AMA caption superimposed on the upper left-hand corner.

To Cannon this symbolizes the AMA's entire ancient concept of medical care. A more accurate slogan might be, Keep Progress Out of this Picture. "This is their idea of medicine," he said. "Why, that picture is way out of date, old-fashioned and definitely not the kind of medical care which enlightened doctors want to see practiced. What a really sick child needs is the best of care in a modern hospital. Instead of those two chairs, she should be in a hospital bed. It's just to protect babies from this kind of treatment that we favor a government health insurance program."

**AS A NEGRO**, Cannon is well acquainted with the AMA's bigoted racial attitude. The AMA even goes so far as to exclude the nation's 15 million Negroes from its health statistics. Since the vast majority of American Negroes are systematically deprived of decent medical aid, including them in statistics would mar the AMA's phony picture of a healthy America.

Actually, AMA claims that Americans are "the healthiest, strongest, best cared for people on earth" are disproved by earlier AMA figures, which it now wants to forget, showing that two out of every three Americans cannot afford proper medical treatment.

# Medina Jails Green For Asking Fair Trial

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angrily. The judge's face had become a bright crimson.

He ordered the jury from the room and turned to Lawyer Isserman and said: "I will not have these disorderly outbursts. . . ."

### SESSION ORDERLY

The judge's remark was especially confusing, for the entire day's session of the trial had been extremely quiet and orderly, with the witness and defense attorneys speaking in moderate tones.

Green's objection to the court's refusal to admit the Dennis-Green article was couched in such a moderate tone that his words could scarcely be heard beyond the first two rows of spectators' seats.

"This evidence happens to be something more than another article, something more than just an expression of opinion," Dennis declared as he arose to address the court.

He told the court that the contents of the article "goes to the heart of the issue that is charged in the indictment."

### ACCURATE PICTURE

He said the article shows what "we have advocated and taught to secure democratic liberties and obtain a new system of society." He explained that the exhibit which the court had refused was "something that is most dear to us and presents an accurate position of our Party."

Judge Medina did not answer the questions raised by Dennis, but complained about what he called the "amount of disorder here that goes beyond anything. . . ." He said, "There shall be no more of that. . . ."

The judge continued to harangue defense lawyers and defendants, stating that he had given "half a dozen warnings against those outbursts."

Dennis replied: "The witness was sworn to tell the whole truth and nothing but the truth. He should be permitted to tell the whole truth."

The action of the court, Dennis submitted, was not only "totally unwarranted" but "obstructing our case" and "hamstringing" the defense.

The judge then warned Dennis that he did not consider his language proper.

Dennis replied, urging the court to reconsider the ruling, stating that it "places the defendants in a position where we are really shackled."

"I think Your Honor is in a position to rescind this ruling," Dennis concluded.

The judge, his face still flushed with anger, said that other defendants would be treated "in the same way" if they acted in the manner of defendant Green. Both attorneys Isserman and Sacher pleaded with the court to reconsider the sentencing of Green. Judge Medina overruled all defense motions.

### ISSUE OF LIBERTY

Sacher reminded the judge that he should consider that this case involves not only the liberty of the defendants "but the liberty of the American people." He argued that the statement of Green was not a statement in contempt but one of "frustration" caused by the court's refusal to receive important defense evidence.

Sacher charged that the refusal of the court to receive the Dennis-Green article in evidence and the subsequent jailing of Green was "subversive of justice in this case."

Isserman told the court that he had been ill for some time, and that it was necessary for Green to confer with him in his home on matters of testimony. He asked

the judge if he would consider that factor and delay the imposition of sentence until today so he could confer with his client.

Refuting Louis Budenz's testimony that he "heard" William Z. Foster propose in the June 18, 1945, national committee meeting that the wartime no-strike pledge of labor be abandoned while the U. S. was still at war with Japan, Green called attention to a statement by Foster in that meeting supporting "continuance of uninterrupted war production" and "continuance of the no-strike pledge."

He pointed to the amended draft resolution of the national committee, which included the wartime no-strike proposition.

Judge Medina refused to receive in evidence an article by Foster written following the June 2 national board meeting entitled "Foster Answers Lies on CPA on Strikes," setting forth the CPA's continued support of the no-strike pledge during the concluding phases of the war with Japan.

On the basis of an objection by prosecutor McGohey, the judge likewise ruled out another article by Foster in the July 22 issue of the Daily Worker, which also refuted the Budenz story.

"I would like to be heard on that," attorney Isserman told the court.

"I do not desire argument at this time," the judge replied.

Judge Medina permitted introduction of the report of the panel on reconversion and the problems of labor unity to the July emergency convention of the CPA.

Isserman read from this report, which stated members of the panel "completely associated" themselves with the Foster article, which the judge had ruled out and which set forth support of the no-strike pledge as a war aid measure.

The defense placed in evidence a speech Green made to the national board of the CPA expressing the belief that the CPA would have sooner or later rejected Earl Browder's non-Marxist views without the sharp criticism of the famous article of the French Communist leader Jacques Duclos.

Green was quoted as saying in that speech, however, that the American Communists "owe a debt of gratitude to comrade Duclos" for his Marxist criticism.

### CRISIS INEVITABLE

In that speech Green attacked Browder's position, pointing out that even if post-war production remained at wartime level a cyclical crisis of capitalism was "inevitable" in the U. S.

He explained to the jury that when he predicted in his speech an increase of the rate of exploitation he meant that by the increase of labor productivity "the employers were getting a greater share of the wealth produced by the workers while the workers were getting a smaller share of their product."

McGohey objected, and the judge barred the witness from explaining any more sections of his speech to the jury. Ruled out by the court were questions asking the meaning of the "general crisis of capitalism" and "the inner and outer contradictions of capitalism."

"Did you teach this in any special class?" Judge Medina asked. "I taught a class once in a while," Green replied. "But I made many speeches and I always made an analysis of the economic situation as a basis of conclusions."

Green told the judge he could not judge teachings of the Communist Party solely on what was taught in a class.

He pointed out that teachings

of the party were in the studies of conditions of the American people made by himself and other party officials and committees and conventions and the actions, legislative and otherwise, proposed.

The immediate aim of the 1945 emergency convention, he said, was to curb the power of the trusts.

Green began to explain how the resolutions committee of the convention had received more than 1,000 amendments to the draft resolution from clubs and state Communist organizations. Amendments to the resolutions, finally adopted, he said, were suggested by the large number of amendments sent from the lower organizations.

This testimony struck at stories told the court by prosecution stool-pigeons that reconstitution of the party was something organized "abroad" and "dictated from on top."

McGohey soon was on his feet objecting to this type of testimony. Judge Medina saw the prosecutor's point of view and protested that Green was "wandering."

"I don't know what I'll have to do with you to keep you from wandering," the judge said.

Isserman objected that the witness was offering important testimony on what happened at the emergency convention mentioned in the indictment as part of the alleged "conspiracy."

"I hope you will soon get down to those classes, how they were organized, which is a very important part of the case," Judge Medina stated, trying to steer the defense away from offering proof on the act of reconstitution of the party.

Isserman read from a committee report of the convention how the Communists launched a fight for special seniority for Negro workers in industry in the postwar period as part of the party's general fight against Jimcrow.

Judge Medina interrupted the lawyer and the witness with the old warning: "Again you are beginning to get into that danger of forgetting what the real charge is."

Isserman explained that the matters of the convention were important evidence because the organization of that convention and its actions were the crucial "crime" charged in the indictment.

The judge stated he was not going to let the defense "go along" explaining amendments to the resolution that was before the convention.

"That's just the point," said McGohey.

"Mr. McGohey is right," said the judge.

The judge slyly asked if there was "anything in there" about the charge of "teaching and advocating overthrow of the government by force and violence."

"I'll leave that in," he added.

"I suggest that Mr. Isserman ask the witness a question and go on with the trial," McGohey remarked.

Attorney Harry Sacher arose and addressed the court.

"I submit Mr. McGohey has assumed the functions of the court," Sacher protested. "He addressed counsel too sharply."

### Still Hot, Humid

Everybody is talking about it but still there is no rain.

The Weatherman held out no promise yesterday as New York City suffered its worst dry spell on record for the months of May and June.

For today: mostly sunny, warm and humid. Wish you luck.



# Nazi Spy Freed as Gates, Winston, Hall Are Jailed

By William Allan

DETROIT.—The same day that Judge Medina sent John Gates, Henry Winston and Gus Hall, Communist leaders, to jail for alleged contempt, a federal judge here, Theodore Levin, dismissed an espionage in-

dictment against Dr. Frederick Thomas, convicted Nazi spy. Astounded Detroiters who remember the 16-member Nazi spy ring that was unearthed here during the war, read with amazement that the government was no longer able to "get witnesses" to go through with a new trial ordered by the circuit court.

Thomas was convicted in 1944 of aiding the Nazis as being part of a ring that supplied information on troop movements and industry production. He was an admitted member of the Nazi Bund here, a friend of Bund chief Fritz Kuhn, member of the Silver Shirts and National Workers League.

Thomas, sentenced to 16 years in jail, served only 18 months and got out on bail pending a new trial based on a supposed wrong stating of the indictment to the jury by Federal Judge Edward Mooney.

A self-confessed drug addict, Thomas taught psychology in Milan federal prison the same time that Leon Josephson, well-known anti-fascist was serving one year

The statement of U. S. Assistant District Attorney Vincent Fordell, in not seeking to halt a dismissal, was based on the fact that the chief government witness a self-styled "countess" Grace Buchanan-Dineen was now in Canada and could not be found to be a witness.

The "Countess" was a Nazi spy, self admitted, who when discovered by the FBI testified that Dr. Thomas channeled to her troop movements here and information about industry.

It was also brought out that Dr. Thomas' name was used in endeavoring to obtain a job at the Ford Motor Co. for Parker Sage, well known anti-Semitic, anti-Negro leader of the fascist like National Workers League. Sage and other leaders were indicted by federal authorities for the Sojourner Truth housing race riot in 1943, but later got off scot free.

Thomas, according to testimony, spoke at Bund meeting in 1936 and delivered fulsome praise of Hitler and denunciations of "the international Jews." This followed a visit lasting some time in Nazi Germany in 1933-34 where Thomas admitted he "did some studying."

It was testified too he was preparing a Nazi primer for American children. In the records of the Fed-

eral Narcotics Commission Dr. Thomas is listed as a user of dilaudid, a drug said to be eight times stronger than morphine.

So, the same day that three men, John Gates, Henry Winston and Gus Hall, who fought to defeat the Nazi murderers in World War II. Dr. Thomas admitted Nazi, dope addict, writer of Nazi primers for American children, convicted personal friend of Fritz Kuhn, disseminator of Nazi propaganda and convicted spy is released to become as the press said, "a free American."

Thomas even received the right to return to medical practice. Despite the evidence during the trial that his office was a news gathering spot for Nazi agents.

While editorial writers here strain a gut each week denouncing communism, not a single line of condemnation was written of those in high government posts who releases this known Nazi and spy.

## Gov. Mediates Bendix Strike; Morale Is High

SOUTH BEND, Ind.—After intervention by mediators, the press, and concerted strikebreaking action by members of the auto trust, Indiana's Gov. Henry Schricker proposed himself as a mediator in a Bendix strike settlement attempt with both the union and the company accepting his services. A meeting was scheduled Tuesday in Indianapolis. The Bendix auto workers are still on strike after 55 days of hitting the bricks and it is plain the Bendix Corporation simply doesn't want to settle with Bendix Local No. 9 on the strike issues.

This became apparent when three federal mediators gave up attempts to end the strike after hours of sessions ending Sunday night. The Bendix Corporation, while agreeing apparently to mediate the issue of speedup and the million dollar Taft-Hartley suit, insists on penalizing 47 discharged workers who protested speedup.

The union holds that Bendix officials aren't sincere in their strike negotiations if they insist on penalizing the fired workers. They point

## RADIO

WMCA—570 Kc.  
WVBR—660 Kc.  
WOR—710 Kc.  
WJZ—770 Kc.  
WNYC—830 Kc.

WINS—1000 Kc.  
WVBR—1130 Kc.  
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### MORNING

11:00—Ivan Sanderson  
WOR—Prescott Robinson  
WJZ—Modern Romances  
WNYC—Modern Romances  
WVBR—Arthur Godfrey Show  
WQXR—News; Alma Dettinger

11:15—WNBC—We Love and Learn  
WOR—Victor H. Lindlahr

11:30—WNBC—Jack Berch  
WOR—Against the Storm

WJZ—Ted Malone  
WVBR—Grand Slam  
WQXR—UN Newsreel

11:45—WNBC—Lora Lawton  
WJZ—Galen Drake

WOR—Quiz Club  
WVBR—Rosemary

WQXR—Violin Personalities

### AFTERNOON

12:00—WNBC—Charles F. McCarthy  
WOR—Kate Smith

WJZ—Welcome Travelers  
WVBR—Wendy Warren—Sketch

WNYC—Midday Symphony  
WQXR—News; Luncheon Concert

12:15—WNBC—Metropolitan News  
WVBR—Aunt Jenny

12:30—WNBC—Brokenshire  
WJZ—Answer Man

WVBR—Young Dr. Malone  
WJZ—Herb Sheldon

WVBR—Helen Trent

12:45—WVBR—Our Gal Sunday  
1:00—WNBC—Mary Margaret McBride

WOR—Luncheon at Sardi's  
WJZ—Party Time

WVBR—Big Sister  
WNYC—String Music

WQXR—News; Midday Symphony

1:15—WJZ—Nancy Craig  
WVBR—Ma Parkins

1:30—WOR—Hollywood Theatre  
WVBR—Young Dr. Malone

1:45—WVBR—Guiding Light  
WJZ—Dorothy Dix

2:00—WNBC—Double or Nothing  
WOR—Queen for a Day

WJZ—Breakfast in Hollywood  
WVBR—Second Mrs. Burton

WQXR—News; Record Review

2:15—WVBR—Perry Mason  
2:30—WNBC—Today's Children

WOR—Passing Parade  
WJZ—Bride and Groom

WVBR—Nora Drake  
WQXR—Curtain at 2:30

2:45—WNBC—Light of the World  
WVBR—What Makes You Tick

WQXR—Musical Specialties

3:00—WNBC—Life Can Be Beautiful  
WOR—Tello-Test

WJZ—Ladies, Be Seated  
WVBR—David Harum

3:15—WNBC—Ma Perkins  
WVBR—Hilltop House

3:30—WNBC—Fepper Young  
WJZ—House Party

WQXR—Rita Hall

3:45—WNBC—Right to Happiness  
4:00—WNBC—Backstage Wife

WVBR—Beat the Clock  
WJZ—Kay Kyser

WNYC—Disc Date  
WOR—Barbara Wells

4:15—WNBC—Stella Dallas  
4:30—WNBC—Lorenzo Jones—Sketch

WOR—Johnny Olsen  
WJZ—People—Patt Barnes

WVBR—Winner Take All  
4:45—WNBC—Young Wilder Brown

WJZ—Eleanor and Anna Roosevelt  
5:00—WNBC—When a Girl Marries

WVBR—Galen Drake  
WOR—B-Bar-B Ranch

WJZ—Fun House  
5:15—WNBC—Portia Faces Life

WQXR—Music of the Theatre  
5:30—WNBC—Just Plain Bill

out that these workers would not have been fired in the first place if the company had not tried to break the contract by a program of rate-cutting and speed-up in department 5C. The department

Veteran trade unionists here believe the company is using its stubborn position on the discharged workers as a smokescreen to prevent a just and immediate settlement of the strike. They warn that prolongation of the strike will be used by the company to provide them with an opportunity to start a back to work movement to break the strike and weaken the union.

Meanwhile the financial and moral solidarity of the whole CIO labor movement in St. Joe County has materially strengthened the high morale and determination of the Bendix workers to carry on their pace-setting strike against speed-up to successful conclusion.

## Savings Increase 1/5 In Czechoslovakia

PRAGUE, June 20 (Telepress).—Savings in Czechoslovakia increased this year 6,300,000,000 crowns, or one-fifth over last year, according to a report of the State Office of Statistics. Current accounts showed an even greater increase, namely 40 percent over last year.

A considerable reduction in the prices of the majority of textile and footwear items and other consumer goods on the free market, as well as the release of more coupons for the purchase of rationed textiles and shoes since June 1, have more than doubled the sales turnover in all shops in Prague and the provincial towns. Consumer interest is concentrated chiefly on clothing, shoes, toys, cameras and bicycles.

## RADIO HIGHLIGHTS

P.M.

7:00—Johannes Steel. WLIB.

8:00—Music for the Connoisseur. WNYC.

8:30—America's Town Meeting. WJZ.

11:30—Deems Taylor show. WOR.

TV

8:00—Court of Current Issues. WCBS.

9:00—We, the People. WCB.

9:30—Suspense. WCB.

All Scheduled Games

Dodgers WMGM (WCBS-TV)

Giants WMCA (WPIX)

Yankees WINS (WABD)

WJZ—Little Herman

WVBR—Mystery Theatre

WQXR—News; Symphony Hall

8:30—WNBC—Alan Young Show

WOR—Official Detective

WJZ—America's Town Meeting

WVBR—Mr. and Mrs. North

9:00—WNBC—Dean Martin and Jerry

Lewis

WOR—John Steel

WVBR—We the People

WQXR—News; Concert Hall

WNYC—Record Hobbyists

9:30—WNBC—The Kings Men

WOR—Mysterious Traveler

WJZ—Erwin Canham

WVBR—Strike It Rich

WQXR—Record Rarities

10:00—WNBC—Big Town

WOR—Philo Vance

WVBR—Hit the Jackpot

10:30—WVBR—Carmen Cavallero

WOR—The Symphonette

WNYC—Weather; City News

WVBR—People Are Funny

WJZ—It's in the Family

WQXR—Just Music

## Movie Guide

### ••Tops

GRAND ILLUSION—Renoir's classic film of a World War I prison camp.

HAMLET—Lawrence Olivier's widely praised version of the Shakespeare play.

HOME OF THE BRAVE—Despite serious weaknesses, a pioneer film on Jim Crow.

THE LAST STOP. An eloquent story of the women's section of the Auschwitz concentration camp.

SHOE SHINE—One of the few Italian films in a class with Open City.

THE SNAKE PIT—Serious treatment of mental illness, distinguished by a fine performance by Olivia de Havilland.

LIFE IN BLOOM—The life of the Soviet scientist, Michurin, filmed in magnificent color.

HENRY V—Lawrence Olivier's charming and colorful film of the Shakespeare play.

MR. SMITH GOES TO WASHINGTON—A forthright attack on machine politics in U. S.

OUTCRY—One of the best Italian anti-Nazi films, containing an unusual portrait of an upper class woman.

THE QUIET ONE—Despite a narrow psychological approach, a beautifully-filmed and sympathetic treatment of a Negro boy.

GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT—One of the two movies to tackle many of the social manifestations of anti-Semitism.

### •Good

SORROWFUL JONES—Bob Hope as a stingy bookie.

THE BANDIT—Some brilliant scenes in a story of an Italian soldier's rehabilitation, with Anna Magnani and Amadeo Nazzari.

DEDEE—An interesting account of cafe life along the Antwerp waterfront.

THE RED SHOES—Distinguished by a fine ballet sequence.

M. VINCENT—An often moving and beautifully filmed account of a 17th century reformer.

DEVIL IN THE FLESH—A tragic story of two young lovers in rebellion against middle class conventions.

THE BEAUTIFUL BLONDE FROM BASHFUL BEND—Preston Sturges' funny lampoon of Western movie formulas.

QUARTET—Shallow, but witty and polished stories of Somerset Maugham.

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST—Cocteau's decoratively filmed story tale.

THE MAGIC HORSE—A lively, full length Soviet cartoon of an old Russian folk tale.

SARABAND—Historical nonsense and full-bosomed ladies, but much of it is fun and pleasing to the eye.

CASABLANCA—Story of anti-fascist refugees in North Africa. Bogart and Bergman have fine scenes together.

JENNY LAMOUR—A first rate French detective story with Louis Jouvet.

LITTLE WOMEN—Sentimental but still appealing story of New England girls, with MGM's current crop of starlets.

BOY WITH GREEN HAIR—A laudable, though not too effective, plea for tolerance and peace.

THE SET-UP—A limited but perfect little story of the fight game.

TRAGIC HUNT—An interesting anti-Nazi Italian film.

ACT OF VIOLENCE—Zinneman's well directed melodrama of an average American haunted by the guilt of his collaboration with the Nazis.

LETTER TO THREE WIVES—A slick smorgasbord of Hollywood's wares with some witty situations, and an attack on radio serials.

FOUR STEPS IN THE CLOUDS—A sensitively handled love story of a middle-aged salesman.

### Skip

SOFA, City of Intrigue. Anti-Soviet rubbish.

STATE DEPT. FILE NO. 649—A quickie with slanderous insinuations about the Chinese Liberation forces.

JOHNNY ALLEGRO—Melodrama glorifying a stool pigeon plus anti-Soviet innuendoes.

GUNGA DIN—A revival of a slanderous old war horse about India.

## STATE CAMP PRACTICES BIGOTRY IN PENNSYLVANIA

PHILADELPHIA.—News of discriminatory application blanks for the Commonwealth's Camp Penn for boys, at Indiantown Gap, has revolted the people here.

Camp Penn, established this year by the legislature on the initiative of Governor Duff, is now distributing application blanks forcing youngsters to designate their race, creed and nationality.

This disgusting exhibition of bigotry practiced on little children seeking a couple of weeks of outdoor camp life, has stirred up a torrent of protest. The bigoted application blanks are all the more shocking since the camp was originally promoted as "free of all racial and religious restrictions."

Governor Duff must be held directly responsible for the discrimination practiced by his administrators at Camp Penn. His office should be flooded with protests demanding immediate withdrawal of the discriminatory blanks.

THIS WEEK Hold the Fort is turned over to a group of steelworkers who tell how the steel trust, for the sake of greater profit, speeds-up its workers, even to the point of murder. These letters also show how stodges within the steelworkers union do all they can to discourage the rank and file fight for higher wages and better working conditions.



Books: Margaret Bourke White's 'Halfway to Freedom'

## Fact and Fantasy on State Of Affairs In India

By Robert Friedman

A few years ago there was widely reprinted in this country a photograph which must have burned itself into the memory of anyone who saw it. It was taken in Shanghai, and it showed the wealthy proprietor of a food store, gross and obscene, smirking for

**HALFWAY TO FREEDOM**, by Margaret Bourke-White. Simon & Schuster. New York. 244 pp. \$3.50.

the camera before her stock of food, while, literally at her feet, a living skeleton of a child, its arm out-stretched in silent pleading, lay starving—dying—and ignored. The liberation of Shanghai's 6,000,000 people last week, the rallying of China's millions to the banners of the People's Army have a direct relation to that horrifying picture.

In Margaret Bourke-White's new book, *Halfway to Freedom*, there is another photograph which haunts the mind, which has caught for all to see and remember a social truth and a prophetic vision.

It is a picture of a meeting of the Tannery Workers Union in the "republic" of India. Yet it is a picture of little boys—children whom an American would have imagined to be in a third grade classroom somewhere. They are handsome boys, with unforgettable faces, faces far too mature-looking, and faces burning with hatred. For these children are fighting for a minimum wage of \$6 a month, and for the right to one day off a week—in an industry which produces fabulous profits. It is a militant Communist-led union of these boys, who treat hides by standing almost naked in chemical vats, suffering hideous skin deformities thereby.

No one can forget the clenched fist salute of these child-workers of Nehru's India in this picture. For the picture, despite the criminal reign of terror now raging against India's progressives, is the future.

*Halfway to Freedom* is the account of Margaret Bourke-White's stay in India during 1946 and part of '47 and '48. The title of her book is itself a misnomer, for the first years of the Nehru regime have marked not the half-way to freedom, but a savage repression of Communists, progressives and militant unionists which make British rule seem mild by comparison.

But, despite some half-hearted and unconvincing rhapsodies about the "spiritual" qualities of Nehru and his alleged role as leader of Asia's masses, *Halfway to Freedom* has a great deal of honest reporting on the real state of affairs in India, after the partition and the departure of the British.

Miss Bourke-White has some devastating things to say of the way in which the late Gandhi curiously echoed the propaganda for decontrol of commodity prices which was peddled by the textile magnate Birla, who happened to be Gandhi's host and patron and a member of the Nehru cabinet. She describes the beast-like existence Birla's workers are forced to endure in his factories and in the hovels that are their homes, and contrasts these with the gorgeous temples on which he lavishes some of his huge profits.

More candid than the old American hands at the game of using God to beat down hungry workers, Birla told the author: "Frankly speaking, we build temples but



ON THE PAVEMENT, a life sketch on the streets of Calcutta by the distinguished Indian artist, Chittaprosad.

we don't believe in temples. We build temples to spread a kind of religious mentality." If Mr. Birla were a member of the NMA, they'd expel him for blabbing state secrets.

One of the workers in the big Birla mills at Delhi told the author: "We thought putting union leaders behind bars without trial would end when we got independence but it is still a common custom in India." And, he added: "With the end of British imperialism one thing is still the same, isn't it? The employer has the freedom to keep the profits and the workers have the freedom to keep the peace."

This bitterly-wise comment by Ram Das, one of the Birla weavers, is amply borne out by Miss Bourke-White's book. She shows that the much-heralded end of the heyday of the maharajahs—India's hundreds of princes—with the birth of the "independent" Pakistan and India has never, in fact, arrived. The maharajahs maintain much of their power and wealth. More important, the feudal land system of India—the zamindari system—which keeps two-thirds of the peasants in this agricultural country totally or nearly landless, kept in serfdom and perpetual debt, has not been changed one whit.

We read all this, and then read of the harrowing suffering inflicted on both Moslem and Hindu masses during the so-called "exchange of populations" after partition; the terror campaign against labor and left-wing intellectuals and other classic signs of the bourgeois betrayal of national revolution. In the face of all this, it is almost tragicomic for Miss Bourke-White to assure us that Nehru will "go down in history as a great man," that he "represents a maturing Asia, growing out of feudalism and entering into modern civilization, learning to dispense with European masters and teachers."

There is more than symbolic significance in the fact that, since this glowing tribute was written, Nehru has bent the Indian bourgeois knee before his European master in London, finding the

"formula" for continuing his country's allegiance to the empire and throne.

Despite the author's failure to evaluate properly the facts which both her pen and camera have given us with clarity, *Halfway to Freedom* provides an engrossing picture of developments in one of the most important sectors of the colonial world.

### Around the Dial:

By Bob Lauter

WNEW recently presented a recorded two-way telephone conversation with Jerry Gaghan, dramatic reporter for the Philadelphia Daily News, speaking from the lobby of the Forrest Theatre in Philadelphia, a few minutes after the curtain had fallen on the out-of-town opening of the new Irving Berlin-Robert E. Sherwood musical, *Miss Liberty*.

Gaghan reported on the audience reaction to the new show, and also gave his own viewpoint on the production. The broadcast was heard at 12:35 a.m. on Art Ford's *Milkman's Matinee* program. Leo Shull, editor of *Showbusiness* and conductor of WNEW's *Curtain at Ten* series, handled the interview.

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## Ted Tinsley Says

### HERE'S YOUR ANSWER, DICK

The Hartford Courant, and probably many other papers, is now running a Dick Tracy Mystery Contest. The terms are simple. You have to write a logical, sincere, convincing 50-word statement telling what happened to a black bag containing one million dollars. As aids to the amateur detective, the ad, in comic strip form, advises readers that the Widow Dubbs has died of heart failure, Homer Noble has apparently been murdered, Currency Jones—the banker who led a double life—has committed suicide, and Honey Keyes is now a Countess in Spain.

No wonder Dick Tracy is appealing to the readers for help.

God created Adam, and Chester Gould created Dick Tracy. As a come-on to his readers, Gould offered a few comic-strip panels including one in which a woman is crying, "Them commies beat us up—but we've got plenty of stuff on 'em—LOOK!"

THE AD ASKS leading questions designed to help the reader solve the vital problem of the black bag. "Was a ransom being paid? If so, to whom and why? Was it blackmail? Was it part of a Communist plot?"

With no more evidence at hand than the few pertinent facts concerning the Widow Dubbs, Homer Noble, Currency Jones, Honey Keyes, and Chester Gould, I have already solved the mystery. I will tell you what happened to the little black bag with the million dollars.

The Widow Dubbs didn't actually die of heart failure. She was murdered by Currency Jones whose suicide was faked to cover up his murder of Homer Noble. But Homer Noble, although seriously injured by the locomotive which fell on his head, did not die. He disguised himself as Honey Keyes and got a job as a Countess in Spain. The real Honey Keyes is Chester Gould.

THIS LEADS US directly to the black bag containing one million dollars. This was picked up by an F.B.I. agent and delivered to President Truman. Finding himself with one million unclaimed dollars, President Truman immediately returned \$750,000 to U. S. Steel in the form of tax rebates to cushion the company against coming union contract negotiations.

Part of the remaining \$250,000 went to Jim Farley. Farley established it as a trust fund from which he sends monthly checks to Homer Noble (disguised as the Spanish Countess) in payment for the pro-Franco propaganda that Noble is now sending back to the United States.

Another part of the remaining money was devoted to the purchase of Kleenex, yo-yos, beanie-caps, and other heavy industrial equipment for Marshall Plan Europe.

This leaves some small change still unused from the contents of the little black bag. This small change went to Chester Gould for being a good boy and writing cartoon strips about "commies."

This is what happened to the little black bag with the million dollars. In fact, it is what happens to every little black bag with a million dollars.

## Out-of-Town Critics

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Sparkman (D-Ala), chairman of the Conference Committee on Federal Rent Control; and Tighe E. Woods, Federal Housing Expediter.

Supporting the negative side

### BRIEFLY NOTED

Camp Rondax at Old Forge in the Adirondacks, emphasizing the Creative Arts, announces several partial scholarships to students under the age of seventeen who are talented in ballet. These students will have an opportunity to study ballet under Nicolas Orloff, soloist with the Ballet Theatre, who will be head of the Ballet Department at Camp Rondax this summer. Interested applicants should write to director Leonid Kanter c/o Camp Rondax 46 West 83rd St., N. Y. 24, N. Y., for further information.

The Department of Parks announces the opening of a new playground between Third Ave. and Brook Ave., from E. 157 St. to E. 158 St., Borough of The Bronx.

Included in the playground are a comfort station, a sand pit, shuffleboard courts, handball courts, basketball and volleyball courts, a roller and ice skating area, wading pool, flagpole, fences, benches, drainage and irrigation, lighting system, and separate play areas with play equipment for pre-school and older children. The area has been landscaped and provided with adequate benches for guardians and parents watching children at play.

With the addition of this new recreational area, there are now 515 playgrounds in the park system.

will be Sen. Harry P. Cain (R-Wash), former chairman of the Rent Subcommittee of the Senate Banking and Currency Committee; and William E. Russell, general chairman of the Metropolitan Fair Rent Committee of New York.

The forum will have Dr. Houston Peterson, Professor of Philosophy at Rutgers University, as guest moderator.

As of tonight, Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis, NBC's comedy team formerly heard on Sunday nights, will take over the 9-9:30 p.m. spot on WNBC, filling in for Bob Hope while he is on vacation.

Betty Lou Gerson, who plays the role of Charlotte on CBS's *Guiding Light*, is making her screen debut in the featured "romantic" role in Republic's "documentary," *The Red Menace*.

Miss Gerson's first screen vehicle turns out to be a garbage truck.

**MAGIC HORSE** in color. A Soviet full-length animated feature. Air-Cooled **Stanley** 7th Ave. bet. 42 & 41 Sts. DOORS OPEN 8:45 A.M.

**IRVING PL** 14th St. GR 5-6975. WHEN LEAH SAID GOODBYE TO RAINU IN MONTEVERDI'S *THE ETERNAL HUSBAND*.

**CITY LAST** 54th Ave. SO 4-3445. PATRICIA MORISON (STAR OF 'HIS OWN STORY') *"SOPHIA CITY OF INTRIGUE"* *"WILL IT HAPPEN AGAIN"* (THE LIFE OF HETEL)

**HOPKINSON** 17th Ave. DL 2-7473. NICHOLSON PRESENTS *THE CHIPS ARE DOWN* *THE MANIAC*



# A Page of Workers' Correspondence

## THE LAYOFFS GROW IN BETHLEHEM

BETHLEHEM.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Unemployment is catching up with workers in the Bethlehem Steel plant. In the past few weeks 25 men have been laid off in the Cinder Dump. Two of the three shifts have been knocked off in the Shell Shop; 15 chippers laid off in the Steel Foundry, and 10 men in the Weldmen's Shop.

Pipefitters are working a four-day week. No. 2 machine shop is on a three and four day week, while three out of seven furnaces are operating in Open Hearth No. 1. Those are just a few examples.

It's impossible though, to find out exactly how many steel workers are pounding the pavement. Once they're laid off in the departments, it's impossible to find out how many get transfers and how many are laid off.

Until recently there were

enough busy departments to give the men transfers. Now layoffs are hitting too many departments.

So far, the union, the CIO Steel Workers, hasn't budged on this problem. There's no attempt by union leaders to get a complete picture of layoffs, department-by-department. Workers aren't asked to come to the union office as soon as they are laid off, so a fight can be made for jobs in their classifications on the basis of seniority.

This inaction and failure to advance a fighting program for laid-off members, plays directly into company's hands.

For example, since work has been slow, chippers in DKC are given some work ordinarily done by finishers, who have a higher job classification. They have to do this work at the lower chipping rate. They have a grievance in, but if they refuse to do finishing unless they get the full rate, they know they'll be sent home for lack of work.

When grievances are put in, foremen often make it plain that they can get along without the aggrieved worker if he doesn't like the way things are done. Layoffs are thus being used as a club to force steel workers to accept worsened conditions without a struggle.

STEEL WORKER.

## Sitdown Threat Wins Raise

GARY, Ind. — The AFL Teachers Union had made plans to go on a sitdown strike if the Gary School Board failed to grant demands for a substantial wage hike.

At the last moment, the Board decided to grant a \$200 across-the-board pay increase; and a \$300 increase if state aid to Gary education amounted to \$275,000; and still greater concessions if state aid came to more than \$320,000.

The Teachers Union decided to call off its sitdown strike. Its fighting policy had paid off.

## BY A JONES & LAUGHLIN STEELWORKER

Editor, Daily Worker:

The J&L, CIO Steelworkers local 1272 went on record at its June 9 meeting for a 25 cent an hour wage increase. A motion had been made that the local endorse the union demands that are up for negotiations, and that the demands be made specific.

In addition to the specific 25 cent wage demand, the motion called for the social insurance demands that have been spelled out by the union, and for \$150 a month pension at 65.

The International Representative at the previous meeting, and the local union president at this meeting, both mentioned that the reason the wage demand had been made (the national leadership did not specify any particular amount), was for the purpose of getting social insurance and the pension, and that actually, although this is

not the public official policy of the International, it is being discussed among the higher-ups as the strategy.

Another item that is of major importance. The local unions, together with the corporations, are holding a picnic at Kennywood Park. A motion was made that the Picnic Committee take steps to see that there would be no discrimination at the Park to the Negro workers.

This Park, as well as the other amusement parks in the district,

## From a 'Flying Tiger'

Lexington, Ky.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Gen. Claire Chennault is reported raging about Washington in a highly excited condition. He is demanding war. It seems that an airline, Chinese real estate and businesses do not fit neatly into an overnight bag. The general left China suddenly. He wants to go back—behind the first wave of a million American boys.

Having once seen a corporal regretfully say good-bye to a barracks bag crammed full of high denomination Chinese banknotes—when such money was worth something—I know exactly how the general feels to lose his war profits. Any American soldier could make more Chinese money than he had any use for. But getting it out of China was impossible for an ordinary GI.

There was a strict weight allowance on baggage over "The Hump." Any amounts over \$50 sent home brought an investigation by the CID, the FBI and various other snooping agencies. Unusual luck and proficiency at cards and dice was not a legitimate explanation.

But with high-ranking officers it was different. They could make investments in real estate and other Chinese properties.

Chennault was reported—American and Chinese barracks gossip, and by even more authoritative sources—to have invested in such properties. We all know he became a big stockholder in an airline "after the war." We in China were informed, and everyone thought, including the Chinese, that the airline was a Chinese Government Corporation subsidized by lend-lease.

Such matters should be investigated a bit more thoroughly and the American people informed of the facts.

FORMER MEMBER 14TH AIR  
FORCE FLYING TIGERS.

## The Barge Line Grab

Paducah, Ky.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Before I left Los Angeles this spring the Navy laid up several ships and discharged 32,000 sailors

to add to the 180,000 unemployed in that city.

River traffic is suffering from the same slump. Many boats are laid up along the Ohio and Mississippi and their crews are disemployed in all the principal ports along the western waters.

When a shortage of boatmen occurred during the war, the Coast Guard made new crews almost overnight—"90-day wonders," we called them. Diesel boats were never required to carry licensed men, and, as steamboats are almost extinct, the Diesel manufacturers and the Big Boat Bosses (backed by New York banks), are now dictating harsh terms to their crews as they see the jobless rivermen pile up on the wharves.

The government built during the war 24 large towboats costing a million dollars and more each, and prepared to send them to China "lend-lease," and many of us rivermen were going over to operate them under two-year contracts, but something went wrong. Perhaps they sensed the danger of this fleet of new vessels falling into Communist hands.

Anyway, they never left these waters; but were sold to the different barge lines monopolizing traffic on the rivers. And the price? Well, it is hardly worth mentioning and the shipping lobby at Washington would be pleased if it were not, but the last two were offered for \$40,000 each. U. S. taxpayers donated a million dollar boat to Wall Street bankers for \$40,000.

I. O. FORD.

## Capitalist Violence

Lorain, O.

Editor, Daily Worker:

All you can hear about the New York trial is do they believe in force and violence.

If the capitalists will hire gunmen to kill workers who ask for higher pay what do you expect from them when you ask for the whole shop.

It's very funny that the United States shipped guns to Greece instead of ballot boxes.

STEEL WORKER.

## Needed: A Pattern for Fighting In Chicago Dress Industry

CHICAGO.

Editor, Daily Worker:

WHEN we signed our last agreement with the Chicago Dress Manufacturers Association on Aug. 22, 1948, we were to receive not less than the amounts we received in the fall of 1946. Our officials told us not to worry, that everything would be taken care of by the union, that "we are always on the watch."

Ten months later, we find conditions so bad that our wages were reduced by 40 to 50 percent as compared with 1946.

Our business agents tell us that we must accept whatever the bosses offer us, and when we cite the 1946 agreement we are told,

C. L.

"Forget it, it's better to have half a loaf than none." This at a time when the bosses are still coining big profits and when the cost of living is still rising.

IN THE cotton department of our union the workers were to make aprons, house wash dresses, etc., under a 40-hour a week agreement. The minimum wages are based on the outmoded federal wage law. Now these shops have contracted high price dresses which are produced under the above-mentioned conditions. The threat is always hanging over our heads that if we don't accept lower prices, our dresses will be turned over to these cotton shops.

It's about time that we brought these so-called cotton shops into the Joint Board and brought the wages and working conditions UP, instead of bringing our wages and working conditions DOWN.

It is about time for our manager, Mr. Bialis, to settle down in Chicago and stop traveling all over the world. The money and time should be used to mobilize the rank and file to beat back the bosses' attempts to cut our prices.

The shop chairmen and price committee members should be called regularly to meetings and some real activities mapped out to enforce our agreement. We have to stop the bosses' threats to fire workers like during the old sweatshop days. We should go back to our fighting traditions with a real progressive policy.

A DRESS OPERATOR.

## SPEEDUP KILLS STEELWORKER

HOMESTEAD

Dear Editor:

A young steelworker at the 160-inch mill slab yard was crushed to death between slabs last month. The company (Carnegie-Illinois) expressed regret that the "carelessness" of the man proved fatal.

But the real cause of the accident was the speed-up drive pushed by the company in the slab yard. To make anything on the lousy incentive plan the company has set up here, a guy has to work like mad. All the safety slogans the company has pasted in the mill don't mean a thing when we're speeded up through such incentives.

Carnegie-Illinois may call it "carelessness." We workers call it murder.

SLAB-YARD WORKER.

## THE WORKER FIGHTS GRIEVANCES

PITTSBURGH.

Dear Editor:

The campaign of the Pennsylvania Worker and "Steel Sparks" (shop paper put out by the Communist steelworkers at J&L) is starting to get results.

John Toth, grievance man (from Zone 10, Southside Works, Jones and Laughlin) recently waved a copy of "Steel Sparks" at a union meeting. "This d— 'Steel Sparks,'" he sputtered. "It's a lie. The union does fight for all the brothers—black and white."

Then he exploded at Communist criticism in the paper that the reason for the poor turnout in the recent international elections was the "lukewarm handling of grievances."

J &amp; L WORKER.

## 10 MINUTES TO DISCUSS WAGE FIGHT

PITTSBURGH.

Dear Editor:

At the last local meeting of Local 1272 (CIO United Steelworkers, Jones & Laughlin) just 10 minutes was spent on discussing the 1949 wage policy adopted by the union's Wage Policy Committee for the coming negotiations.

Imagine! With the contract to be re-opened, with steelworkers sorely in need of a substantial raise—that's the amount of time the local officers allotted to the contract.

The greater part of the meeting was devoted to an "explanation" by the Union's officers as to why salaries of the union officials should be raised \$25 a month. Now, if the heads of our local spent the same amount of energy fighting for a 25 cent an hour raise for the workers, we'd appreciate them more. J & L WORKER

## Despite Boasts, Co. Ignores Men's Health

PITTSBURGH.

Dear Editor:

In "Men and Steel," a publication put out by the Jones and Laughlin Corporation, the company brags about how "safe and healthful working conditions will be planned by management."

Here's a story about the real attitude of the company to its workers. Recently a worker was hospitalized for 42 days because of pneumonia. Before he entered the hospital he weighed 182 pounds; when he left he was down to 148.

On his first day back to work, although his medical discharge card called for "light" work he was placed in the pebble loam job. This requires you to stack 135 pound sacks on a four foot high level all day long. When he protested, he was told, "You work where we put you." That's how J & L "plans" for its workers.

J &amp; L WORKER

## 'Day of Joy' Rally Marks Czech Liberty

PRAGUE, June 19 (Telepress).

— Czechoslovak prime minister Zapotocky and Soviet ambassador Silin addressed a rally here which marked the fourth anniversary of Czechoslovakia's liberation from the Nazis by the Red Army. The "Day of Joy" celebration was held at Hvezda Park.



## In This Corner

By Bill Mardo  
(Continued from Back Page)

fact that one of the fighters involved might be physically unfit to ply this trade, and about to be killed in the ring with a concussion or some such thing.

Now I realize this is a long ways around the Charles-Walcott fight and the question of whether or not tomorrow night's bout in Chicago's Comiskey Park should be considered a title fight. I say it should. And it's not a question of Louis hand picking his successor. On the basis of what the two battlers have done in the ring against the crop of fighters they've been asked to fight; understanding how unfair all of this is to fighters who might be every bit as good as Ezzard and Jersey Joe but can't get a chance to show it; understanding all this I still say it would be a wrong tack to penalize Walcott and Charles for the larger sins of boxing for which they certainly bear no responsibility and from which they themselves took a longtime runaround.

They're the best around. That we know of. If you want to see a real democratic boxing elimination tourney, then you're going to have to start banging away for some semblance of a democratic set-up in the administrative end of the ring business. You can't just moan about it and do nothing. Because, in the final sense, nothing ever gets done that way.

Meantime, good luck to Charles and Walcott. May the best man win. One of them's going to be a fine champion.

## Results, Selections

### Aqueduct Results

FIRST—7 furlongs; claiming; 3-year olds; \$3,500.  
Miss Carolina (Ericeo) 16.50 8.00 4.70  
Excel Lad (Atkins) 14.70 6.20  
Juliee (Mehrens) 3.00  
Also ran—Golden Vixen, Gingham, Cold War, Fraternal, Holly Star, Partition.  
Time—1:29 2-5.

SECOND—7 furlongs; claiming; 3-year olds; \$3,500.  
Extinguisher (Gorman) 20.70 4.70 3.20  
Inchapeella (Glisson) 2.70 2.40  
Bundrab (Bernhardt) 3.60  
Also ran—Bonnie Sandra, China Colleen, Autumn Storm, My Lucky Joe, Crooner.  
Time—1:28 2-5.

DAILY DOUBLE PAID \$129.10  
THIRD—About 1 1/4 miles over hurdles; allowances; 3-year olds and up; \$3,000.  
Tallyman (McDonald) 9.10 4.20 3.20  
Oak Bulger (Adams) 3.30 2.90  
Proceed (Siedler) 3.00  
Also ran—Sourette, Geramond, Dunces Cap, Schoharie. Time—2:46 2-5.

FOURTH—5 1/2 furlongs; claiming; 2-year olds; \$3,500.  
a-Trumpet King (Gson) 4.50 3.10 2.50  
Super-Salesman (Ericeo) 5.00 3.80  
Clytie (Dodson) 4.30  
Also ran—Blue Heart, a-Hatikvah, Boss Yam, Beret, Luring, Willy Willie. Time—1:08.  
a-I. Bieber-Jacobs entry.

FIFTH—6 furlongs; claiming; 3-year olds; \$3,500.  
Sandy Alan (Arcare) 17.80 6.90 4.40  
Sky Miracle (Jessop) 4.70 3.00  
Twilight Trail (Gson) 3.20  
Also ran—Tiger Trap, Hankie, Silver Bridge, Orbit, Highbinder, Bar Dal, Spindle. Time—1:14 1-5.

SIXTH—6 furlongs; handicap; 3-year olds and up; \$5,000.

Better Self (Gorman) 10.20 5.80 4.40  
Up Beat (Woodhouse) 5.90 4.50  
Ripsey (Guerin) 4.00  
Also ran—a-Respingo, Buzzfuz, a-Eagle Eye. Time—1:12 3-5.  
a-G. Ring entry.

SEVENTH—1 1/16 miles; claiming; 3-year olds; \$3,500.  
Hiya-Sailor (Danis) 32.30 16.60 6.60  
Appase Not (Boland) 5.50 3.70  
Transluent (Glisson) 2.70  
Also ran—Midlanite, The Glove, Blue Thanks, Fleet Vixen, Tarport Kid, Baltimore Jan. Time—1:48 1-5.

EIGHTH—11-8 miles; claiming; 4-year olds and up; \$3,500.  
Rocket Bomb (Gorman) 5.80 3.40 2.50  
Dismal Key (Boland) 7.10 3.40  
Croesus (McPhee) 2.80  
Also ran—Pelucca, Desalmado, Brave Reward. Time—1:54 4-5.

### SELECTIONS

#### AT AQUEDUCT

##### One Best—FIRE POINT

1. Grandma G., Jay Ray, Sir Larkspur
2. McGill, Royal Son, Ceara.
3. Copito, Seaton Pippin, Bill Hawk.
4. Mahlima, Big Sun, Escarp.
5. Whirling Fox, Sashay, Social Hour.
6. Fire Point, Hy Blaze, Back Talk.
7. Coat of Arms, Night Master, Pentin.
8. Georgie V., Jhansi, Fatal Error.

## 8,000 MEN AND WOMEN IN TITO CONCENTRATION CAMP

PRAGUE, June 20.—A large concentration camp where 8,000 Yugoslavs, including many women, are now being held, was built by the Tito police in the vicinity of the town of Lenje, reports a correspondent of Nova Borba, the paper of the Yugoslav Communists in Czechoslovakia.

The concentration camp inmates include many students, workers,

soldiers, mostly prewar members of the Communist Party and partisans. The number of prisoners is steadily growing.

After several weeks stay in the concentration camp, the prisoners are sent to work from two to three months in mines, after which they are released. No explanation is given to them as to the reason for their arrest and jailing.

## JESSUP LAUDS ALGER HISS

(Continued from Page 2)

neighbor of Hiss when he lived on 30 Street, in Washington, asserted that he was a close friend of the Hiss family and that he never saw Chambers visit the Hisses, as Chambers alleged.

Joseph R. Boucot, a renting agent in Smithtown, Pa., from 1934-1938, said he never saw Mrs. Hiss visit Chambers, and his wife during the summer of 1935, when they rented a summer cottage there, as Mrs. Chambers alleged.

Teunis F. Collier, a contractor and builder, testified he made repairs in the 30 Street and Volta Place residences, in which the Hisses lived in Georgetown, Washington, D. C. long after they resided there. Mrs. Chambers slipped up in her story when shown pictures of these houses as they are today—said they were the same in the late 30's when the Hisses lived in them.

Frank E. Duvall, communica-

tions officer in the State Department, told the court that mimeograph copies of cables were kept in the coding room for as much as six months before they were burned and that the files of the coding room, were 155 persons worked in three shifts around the clock in 1937-38, were always open.

### Ohio Bargemen Win Pay Increase

PITTSBURGH, June 19.—A 22-month strike of barge workers against the Ohio Barge Canal Lines, Inc., has won for 40 members of the CIO National Maritime Union wage boosts of from \$20 to \$25 a month and the union hiring hall. Sixteen members of the AFL Masters, Mates and Pilots Union got raises of \$72.50 a month, bringing their scale to \$360. They also are to receive 122 paid leave days a year, 17 more than now. Contract negotiations were carried on together.

## Tebbetts Overtakes Berra in A. L. All-Star Backstop Vote

CHICAGO, June 20 (UP).—George (Birdie) Tebbetts, Boston Red Sox veteran, leaped from third to first place among the American League's catchers in the all-star baseball poll today. The latest tally of ballots at the all-star voting headquarters here gave Tebbetts 115,895 votes, 8,464 more than Larry (Yogi) Berra of the New York Yankees, previous leader at the position.

Ted Williams, Red Sox outfielder, maintained his position as the poll's highest individual vote collector with 153,998. Jackie Robinson, Brooklyn Dodger second baseman, is second with 141,864 votes.

Here's how the vote stands today:

#### FIRST BASE:

National—Waitkus, Philadelphia, 107,254; Mize, New York, 104,963; Hodges, Brooklyn, 92,728; Kluszewski, Cincinnati, 68,214; Stevens, Pittsburgh, 52,053. American—E. Robinson, Washington, 118,192; Vernon, Cleveland, 91,404; Goodman, Boston, 86,327.

#### SECOND BASE:

National—J. Robinson, Brooklyn, 141,864; Schoendienst, St. Louis, 116,296; Verban, Chicago, 98,726. American—Michaels, Chicago, 112,304; J. Gordon, Cleveland, 107,620; Doerr, Boston, 81,107.

#### THIRD BASE:

National—S. Gordon, New York,

### Sundry Sports Items

It pays to be a senior at Oklahoma. . . . The student section on one side of the football field ranges from the 50-yard line north to the end zone. . . . The seniors get the 50-yard liners, juniors the next preferred location, then the sophomores and the beleaguered frosh wind up with the leftovers. . . .

Arnold Galiffa, great Army T-formation quarterback, starred in basket ball, too, and now is playing first base for the ball club. . . . The list of those who finally called it quits in the big leagues this season, either by their own grimly-made decisions, or by being released by the club owners, included seven pitchers, three outfielders, three infielders and a catcher.

The pitchers were Mort Cooper of the Cubs, Ed Heusser of the Phils, Johnny Beazley of the Braves, Denny Galehouse of the Red Sox, Russ Christopher of the Indians, Fritz Ostermueller of the Pirates and Bill Dietrich of the Athletics. The outfielders were Jeff Heath of the Braves, Pat Seerey of the Whit Sox and Walt Judnich of the Pirates. Eddie Mayo of the Tigers, Babe Young of the Yankees and George Kurowski of the Cardinals were the infielders, and the catcher was Jake Early of the Senators.

## Set Dividend on Vet Insurance

WASHINGTON, June 20 (UP).—Veterans Administrator Carl Gray, Jr., today set up a timetable under which 16,000,000 World War II veterans will get their share of a \$2,800,000,000 national life insurance dividend starting next January.

He did not indicate the size of the refunds but they are expected to range from a few dollars to as much as \$500.

Application forms for the special dividend are being printed now. They are expected to be available some time in August at post offices, veterans organizations and VA offices.

All veterans who held national life insurance policies for three months or more will be eligible for dividends. If the policyholders have died their survivors will receive the money.

#### Catcher:

National—Seminick, Philadelphia, 117,113; Campanella, Brooklyn, 101,462; Cooper, Cincinnati, 62,836. American—Tebbetts, Boston, 115,895; Berra, New York, 107,431; Hegan, Cleveland, 101,102.

#### OUTFIELDERS:

National—Kiner, Pittsburgh, 131,506; Musial, St. Louis, 128,982; Marshall, New York, 123,793. American—Williams, Boston, 153,998; Henrich, New York, 130,302; D. DiMaggio, Boston, 121,864.



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## BRANCA BENCHED AS DODGERS GO VS. REDS

Ralph Branca is just about the only trouble spot in the Dodger picture as the league-leading Brooks move into Cincinnati tonight to open the series against Bucky Walter's troublesome Reds.

The big righthander was scheduled to work last Sunday's finale against the Cubs, but Burt Shotton by-passed him at the last minute because of the Dodger manager's conviction that something is wrong with Ralph's flipper.

"He won't start again until I'm convinced he's right," said Shotton, and it's obvious the big boy hasn't been right for some time. Although owner of an imposing 8-1 record, a deeper dip into those figures show that Ralph has failed to finish six of his last seven starts.

Adjusting his rotation of pitchers around the Branca mishap, Shotton plans to throw Preacher Roe, Joe Hatten and Don Newcombe into the three-game series at Crosley Field. And just itching for his next start is Rex Barney, the kid from Omaha who seems to have finally righted himself.

It's a pitching staff that has thrown a fright into the rest of the league and causes the opposition to shudder in anticipation of Branca's return to form. Ralph is convinced that there is nothing wrong with his arm and that he'll get rolling again one of these afternoons.

Prior to last night's Giant-Card game at St. Louis, the Brooks had just a one-game edge over the smoking St. Louisans. Boston and the amazing Phillies are right in back of the Redbirds. The Giants, trying desperately to right themselves, don't look much of a threat anymore.

But the race is a dilly and figures to become more so if Branca doesn't come around in time to give Brooklyn the edge his powerful right arm figured to do. Right now, Dodger hopefuls are thankful for Barney's rounding into form against the Cubs, young Don Newcombe's breathtaking performances, Preacher Roe's canny efforts with enough rest in between turns, and the occasional spot wins of Joe Hatten.

It's pitching depth of the kind Brooklyn has always dreamed about—and if Branca comes back.

### MAJOR League Results

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**  
Boston —010 001 001—3 10 0  
Chicago —000 000 020—2 8 2  
Bickford and Salkeld; Ruch and Walker. Home run—H. Sauer.

New York at St. Louis (night).  
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh (night).  
(Only games scheduled).

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**  
St. Louis at New York (night).  
Detroit at Boston (night).  
Cleveland at Philadelphia (night).  
Chicago at Washington (night).

### GAMES TODAY

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**  
Cleveland at Philadelphia (nite)  
Detroit at Boston  
Chicago at Washington  
(Only games scheduled)

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**  
Brooklyn at Cincinnati (nite)  
New York at St. Louis (nite)  
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh (nite)  
Boston at Chicago

## GIANTS TRY NEW LINEUP

Limping along at a .500 pace, the New York Giants are trying to straighten up and fly right with an alternate lineup in the current series at St. Louis which opened last night.

It isn't the power lineup the Polo Ground fans are accustomed to, nor is quite the speed lineup which the Giant front office is seeking. Here's how it went against the Pirates the other day, for example:

Wes Westrum behind the plate for the departed Cooper, Jack Lohrke at short instead of Buddy Kerr, Joe La Fata holding down first base in place of Mize, and the reinstated George Hausman handling the second base chores as Durocher tries to come up with a satisfactory pivot replacement for weak Billy Rigney.

### LEADERS

NATIONAL LEAGUE									
Player and Club	G	AB	R	H	Pct.				
Robinson, Brooklyn	58	232	44	83	.358				
Schoendienst, St. Louis	52	219	32	76	.347				
Kazak, St. Louis	55	203	29	68	.335				
Kiner, Pittsburgh	55	204	38	68	.333				
Thomson, New York	57	241	38	80	.332				

AMERICAN LEAGUE									
Player and Club	G	AB	R	H	Pct.				
Kell, Detroit	57	227	44	80	.353				
DiMaggio, Boston	52	211	44	68	.322				
Williams, Boston	57	210	52	65	.314				
Joost, Philadelphia	58	214	61	67	.313				
Majaski, Philadelphia	58	233	36	72	.309				

HOME RUNS									
Player and Club	G	AB	R	H	Pct.				
Joost, Athletics	16	Williams, Red Sox	.66						
Williams, Red Sox	16	Stephens, Red Sox	.59						
Stephens, Red Sox	16	Robinson, Dodgers	.55						
Kiner, Pirates	14	Wertz, Tigers	.54						
Henrich, Yankees	13	Hodges, Dodgers	.46						
Kokus, Browns	12	Ennis, Phillies	.46						
Mustal, Cardinals	11								

HITS									
Player and Club	G	AB	R	H	Pct.				
Robinson, Dodgers	83	Joost, Athletics	.61						
Kell, Tigers	80	Williams, Red Sox	.62						
Thomson, Giants	80	Reese, Dodgers	.62						
Reese, Dodgers	76	Henrich, Yankees	.46						
Schoendienst, Cards	76	Robinson, Dodgers	.44						
Gordon, Giants	44								
DiMaggio, Red Sox	44								

## Charles, Walcott Wind Up Training

CHICAGO, June 20 (UP).—The money began to roll in today on Jersey Joe Walcott to beat Ezzard Charles Wednesday for the world heavyweight championship, but the Cincinnati fighter was an 8 to 4 favorite to come through with the crown.

### STANDINGS

(Not including yesterday's games)

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
Brooklyn	35	23	.603	—
St. Louis	33	23	.589	1
Boston	33	26	.559	2 1/2
Philadelphia	33	27	.550	3
New York	29	27	.518	5
Cincinnati	24	33	.421	10 1/2
Pittsburgh	23	34	.400	11 1/2
Chicago	20	37	.351	14 1/2

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
New York	36	21	.632	—
Detroit	33	24	.579	3
Philadelphia	32	26	.552	4 1/2
Cleveland	29	25	.537	5 1/2
Boston	29	27	.518	6 1/2
Washington	28	28	.500	7 1/2
Chicago	23	36	.390	14
St. Louis	17	40	.298	19

### Schroeder Rallies Over Mulloy

WIMBLEDON, Eng., June 20 (UP).—Outfought for two sets, top-seeded Ted Schroeder of La Crescenta, Calif., roared from behind today and cut down 34-year-old Gardnar Mulloy of Miami in one of the greatest opening day matches in Wimbledon tennis history, 3-6, 9-11, 6-1, 6-0, 7-5.

Seven other Americans, including defending champion Bob Falkenburg of Hollywood, swept into the second round in the 64 matches run off on Wimbledon's 16 turf courts. Falkenburg, seeded fourth, downed Yugoslavia's Dragutin Mitic, 6-2, 2-6, 8-6, 6-4.

Second-seeded Richard Gonzalez of Los Angeles, U. S. champion, breezed past Jacques Bruchant of Belgium, 6-3, 6-2, 6-3, and tireless Frankie Parker of Los Angeles, seeded third, dusted off Heraldo Weiss of Argentina, 6-0, 6-1, 6-2.



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ring scheduled with three partners. Jersey Joe, who has appeared immeasurably better in previous workouts, finished his heavy ring activity yesterday. Today road work and calisthenics were on the program and tomorrow it will be simply exercises. Charles will taper off tomorrow.

When asked whom he thought would win, Charles replied: "The man with the best punch or the man who throws the most punches."

Walcott left no doubt of his opinion.

"My manager and I have always thought we'd get the championship some day."

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## In This Corner...

By Bill Mardo



### Reader Questions Title Fite

WHAT WITH THE Charles-Walcott fight only 24 hours hence, now's as good a time as any to tackle a most interesting letter from Oklahoma City.

"Dear Mardo:

"Your article on the 'silent treatment' given the coming Charles-Walcott fight was swell, and the reasons certainly should be exposed.

"However, we can't get too excited about a fight that has been termed 'the title fight' just because a syndicate which is promoting it say so . . .

"It makes no difference if the participants are considered by many to be tops, a matter of principle is involved, and no title can rightfully be acquired without a fair elimination tourney as in any other sport. It is unfair to many other fighters who are good, but n r have had a chance to crack the monopoly. It is not democratic to recognize a championship affair this way. I don't know N. Y. State's reason for rejecting, probably not on these grounds, but it should be rejected. Great as Joe was, he has no right to handpick his successor.

"Finally, we are the snob nation of the world. Every time we 'crown' a champ, nationally, that makes him or her a 'world champion'.

"How about it, Mardo?

Yours,  
"A Sooner

NO QUESTION but that if you abstractly look at the principle involved, the Charles-Walcott fight should not be recognized as a title affair. But let's not deal in abstractions, it's a good way to get lost.

What are the objective facts of the situation? One, professional boxing is conducted under a monopoly setup. If you thought Mike Jacobs' 20th Century club was a monopoly, brother, you ain't seen nothing yet! Wait until this new outfit begins showing its teeth for real. The International Boxing Club is the old Jacobs monopoly multiplied by three. Inking of same was afforded in its initial venture when Jake LaMotta was given the first shot at Marcel Cerdan's crown while the most logical contenders, Ray Robinson and Steve Belloise, were callously brushed off.

There undoubtedly are many anonymous heavies around the country who could create quite a splash if they could get the splash producing fights. Meaning the connections with the promoters, matchmakers and managers who have the "in." Heavies who under a fair boxing setup would be part and parcel of any elimination tourney to determine Joe Louis' successor.

Charles and Walcott could tell you a lot about this little item. Ezzard was himself on the outside looking in. The light-heavy division, that is. Couldn't get his rightful shot at Gus Lesnevich's title for beans, while the corrupt boxing moguls allowed Gus to safely defend his title twice against the "sure thing" that was Billy Fox. Walcott, too, was in the same spot for the best years of his fighting life. You'd probably be shocked if I told you Jersey Joe fought his first professional fight 19 years ago against Cowboy Wallace in Vineland, N. J. Yes, 19 years ago. It took a manipulator like Vic Marsillo and later Felix Boccocchio who, through their connections with the monopoly men, could take Jersey Joe out of the anonymous ranks and finally get him the fights that demonstrated his long ignored talents.

Sure there must be other heavies around today in the same boat old Jersey Joe rowed for many years while his peak days went slipping by him to the tune of small clubfights, hunger, discouraged retirement, et al.

Of all the heavyweights around, in a spotlighted sense, Charles and Walcott are tops. The man who signs himself "Sooner" admits as much. And his nice words earlier in his letter about my original column on the treatment accorded this fight, was reference to my contention that Walcott and Charles are getting the business from the press because of their alleged "mediocrity" while the real reason lies in the fact that the boxing bosses aren't particularly overjoyed at the prospect of the next heavyweight champion also being a Negro. The special bias which has always existed in the heavyweight division stemming from the foul rot about Jack Johnson and the whole "white hope" school of prejudice during the reign of Johnson and later Louis.

None of this negates, as I say, the probability that there are a few other unsung and unknown heavies of the same general size and talent as Charles and Walcott, who, if given the chance to show their stuff, would be similarly fair contending material.

BUT WHAT'S to do? This is commercial boxing, 20th century gangster style. Unless and until the boxing public stops accepting the evils of an evil profession, and begins punching for some vastly needed reforms, (curbs on the powers of promoters and matchmakers and managers) the situation in the fight racket will continue to fester.

Rather than have boxing operated on the status quo, I, for one, would prefer to see the foul business outlawed. And not for the above reasons alone. There's little in the ring racket that can be objectively considered "sport" any longer. As I said once before, it is a nest for all the sharpshooting racket men in the country, and at the same time it is becoming a graveyard for the young. The "price" on a fight is always considered far more important than the

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